

Robert Emmett Kanatzar, SR., 86, of Bella Vista, Arkansas died Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at his home in Bella Vista. He was born on November 3 1925 in Kansas City, Kansas to Emmett Kanatzar and Mary Heaney Kanatzar.

He was raised and educated in Kansas. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. Bob married Irene Grazda she died in 1987. Bob was employed by and retired from Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. Bob met and married Peggy Robinson on 8-8-88. They moved to Bella Vista in 1998. He was a member of the Elks, American Legion and 4th Degree Knights of Columbus at St. Bernard Church. He loved his faith, family, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, Irene, daughter Anita Susan Kanatzar, son, John Nicholas Kanatzar, brothers, Harold and Jack and sister, Sue McElligott.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy Kanatzar of Bella Vista, Arkansas; four sons, Robert E. Kanatzar, JR., (Martha) of Gladstone, Missouri, Daniel L. Kanatzar (Joann) of Overland Park, Kansas, Thomas J. Kanatzar of Kansas City, Kansas, Phillip G. Kanatzar (Elizabeth) of Kansas City, Kansas; two daughters, Mimi Manning (Brian) of Kansas City, Kansas, Lisa A. Jenicke (Steve) of Kansas City, Kansas; one brother, Gene Kanatzar (Myra) of Overland Park, Kansas; thirteen grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside Services will be at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 2, 2012 at Leavenworth National Cemetery. Arrangements are by the Bella Vista Funeral Home & Crematory, 2258 Forest Hills Blvd., Bella Vista, Arkansas.