

**Vilas "George" Benning, 87, of Bella Vista, Arkansas died Wednesday, August 4, 2010 at Highlands Health Care, Bella Vista, Arkansas. He was born January 30, 1923 in Waumandee, Wisconsin to George Benning and Bertha (Hartzfeldt) Benning.**

**He graduated the University of Minnesota with a B.S. in 1949. He was in the U.S. Army Air Corps during WWII. He married Virginia Orth in 1949 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They moved to Bella Vista in 1996 from Morehead, Minnesota. He was a member of the United Lutheran Church in Bella Vista. He was a member of the Cosmopolitan Club in Fargo. He loved to play Bridge.**

**He is survived by his wife, Virginia of Bella Vista, Arkansas; three sons, David Benning and his wife, Marge of Denver, Colorado, Paul Benning and his wife, Ruby of Bismarck, North Dakota and James Benning and his wife, Karen of Anchorage, Alaska..**

**A Memorial Service will be held on Monday, August 23, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the United Lutheran Church, 100 Cooper Road, Bella Vista, Arkansas 72715. Pastor Richard Solberg will officiate. Arrangements are by the Bella Vista Funeral Home & Crematory, 2258 Forest Hills Blvd., Bella Vista, Arkansas 72715.**