

Russell R. Barnett, 96

Russell R. Barnett, 96, of East Jordan, died June 8, 1992, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility, East Jordan.

Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 11, at the Paullin Funeral Home in East Jordan. The Rev. Merlin Delo of the East Jordan United Methodist Church will officiate with interment at Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan.

Mr. Barnett was born Sept. 12, 1895, in East Jordan, the son of William Robert and Estella (Smith) Barnett. He was a lifelong resident of East Jordan.

On Sept. 13, 1921, he married the former Edith M. Cary in Belaire. She preceded him in death on Jan. 27, 1984.

Mr. Barnett served in the U.S. Army as a motorcycle courier in France during World War I.

Mr. Barnett was manager of the Northern Auto Co. until 1941. Northern Auto Co. was the Ford dealership in East Jordan. He then worked as a wood pattern maker for the East Jordan Iron Works until his retirement in 1954.

He was a member of the East Jordan United Methodist Church and a charter member of the American Legion Post 227 Hosler-Rebec-Sweet Lodge in East Jordan. He enjoyed repairing clocks and woodworking.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Gerald K. and Edna M. Barnett of Lakeland, Fla.; one daughter and son-in-law, Shirley J. and James R. Smith of East Jordan; four grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Jack (Keitha) McCracken of Sparta, Mich. In addition to his wife, Mr. Barnett was preceded in death by three brothers, Vern, Mike and Bill Barnett, and one sister, Alva Ploughman.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Grandvue Medical Care Facility or to the East Jordan Ambulance Fund. Envelopes for memorial contributions are available at the Paullin Funeral Home in East Jordan where friends may call from 7-9 p.m. today, June 9, and from 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Wednesday, June 10.