



## John Jason Tipton

February 19, 1922 - December 22, 2010

John Jason Tipton, 88, of Butler, PA, passed away Wednesday, December 22, 2010 at Good Samaritan Hospice Unit in Jefferson Twp.

He was born February 19, 1922 in Butler, PA, the son of the late Jason John Tipton and Margaret (List) Tipton.

John lived the American dream. He married his sweetheart, Ginny, and they lived 68 happy active years together. He fought bravely for his country during WWII. He flew 51 missions in the hostile skies over Europe as a ball turret gunner. Many of these missions were to some of the most dangerous and deadly targets in Europe. He was a member of VFW#249 and the D.A.V.

After the war, he returned to work at Armco. His hard work, dedication and unique mechanical and electrical ability allowed him to advance into a management position in Hot & Cold Mill Maintenance. He retired from Armco with 31 years of service. For 10 years, he operated a KOA campground near Bradford, with his wife & family. Much of his later life was spent traveling or in Ft Myers, FL.

John accomplished much during his life, but was most proud of his family. His extraordinary work ethic, generosity, inner strength and integrity live on in each of his six sons. He was a true American hero, who fought for his country,

worked hard, loved his wife and family and taught his family by his example how to live a good life.

Surviving are his wife, Virginia Lee Tipton; 6 sons, Bernard J. Tipton of VA, Kenneth D. Tipton of Bradford, Gary L. Tipton of Cranberry, Bruce W. Tipton of San Diego, CA, Joel H. Tipton of Butler and Eric R. Tipton of Mountain View, CA; 13 grandchildren and 15.5 great grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at Young Funeral Home, Ltd., 127 W. Jefferson St., Butler on Monday, December 27, 2010 at 2PM with Dr. Rev. Curtis McDaniel officiating. Military honors by VFW#249 and American Legion #778.

Contributions may be made to the Disabled Veterans of America Memorial Program, PO Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250.