



## Lawrence B. Smyers, Jr.

September 6, 2006

Lawrence B. Smyers, Jr., 85, of Butler, PA, died at 6PM on Wednesday, September 6, 2006 at Chicora Medical Center.

He was born Saturday, September 18, 1920 in Tarentum, PA, the son of the late Lawrence B. Smyers, Sr. and the late Florence Lonitz Smyers.

He was a member of the US Navy having served in WWII as a Coxswain on the USS Thurston where he landed men on the beach at Normandy, Southern France, Iwo Jima, and Okinawa. He was awarded 4 bronze stars.

He enjoyed traveling, gardening, and woodworking hobbies. He retired in 1981 after 40 years of service as a crane operator for the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroads.

Surviving are his wife, Alice M. Smyers, whom he married April 26, 1941; a sister, Florence Smyers Wise of Butler; and a number of nieces and nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and 8 sisters.

Friends will be received from 10am until the time of service at 12 noon, Saturday, September 9 at the Young Funeral Home, Ltd., Butler with Rev.

Cloyd Osborne, retired chaplain from the VA Medical Center officiating.

Interment will follow in the Greenlawn Burial Estates.