Merle Affolder, 68, Decatur, brother of a Geneva resident, died Thursday at Indiana Veterans Home, West Lafayette.

A former conservation officer, Affolder was also a former deputy sheriff and sheriff of Adams County, and served on the county council at large for many years. He was a real estate and insurance salesman and an auctioneer at the time of his illness.

Born in Adams County, he was married to Doris Diehl, who survives.

Surviving besides his wife are three sons, two daughters, two sisters, including Mrs. Dick (Nell) Huffman, Geneva; eight grandchildren and two step great-grandchildren.

Memorial services are set for 7 pm Thursday in the Haggard and Armes Funeral Home, Decatur, with the Rev. Fuhrman Miller officiating.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 5 to 7 pm Thursday.

There will be no burial. Cremation took place.

Memorials may be made to the Indiana Veteran's Home or the Adams County Cancer Society.

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Note: Memorial plate in Quantico National Cemetery, Quantico, Prince William County, Virginia, Section MA Site 105: In memory of Merle Affolder; EM3 US Navy; World War II; Sept.

28, 1923 - Sept. 10, 1992; Husband, Father and Patriot"