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Elden DeLap, third class radio-man, son of Mrs. Mildred Koeck, 419 Seventh street, has left to return to active duty at Los Angeles after a 21-day leave here. Radioman DeLap has served on a large cruiser and participated in five major battles in the south Pacific.

Elden E. Delap

REDGRANITE — Mr. Elden E. "Bud" Delap, age 74 of Redgranite, died Monday morning, April 7, 1997 at his home in Redgranite. He was born January 8, 1923 in Oshkosh, the son of Elbridge Elmer and Mildred Baumgartner DeLap. He married Ruth Mahr October 6, 1945 in Couer d' Alene, Idaho. Ruth survives.

Bud was raised in Oshkosh. He served his country in the U.S. Navy from 1941 to 1945 during World War II. Following his marriage he moved to Indiana and was employed at Bendix-Allied Signal Corp. in South Bend, Indiana for 33 years until his retirement in 1985. Bud had worked in brake manufacturing for a time. He was an assembler of aircraft engines for most of his time at Bendix-Allied Signal.

Following his retirement he moved to Redgranite in 1985. He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Redgranite, the Redgranite Am-Vets and Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts, the Wautoma, D.A.V., the Wild Rose American Legion Post, and the Redgranite Lions Club. He was a life-member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Plymouth, Indiana. Bud did volunteer work with patients at the Wisconsin Veterans Home in King, and had also done wheelchair repair there. He took first place in a foot race at King a number of years ago. He worked and helped with many other clubs and organizations. He helped the Oshkosh Am-Vets with Sawdust Daze Celebrations and helped the Am-Vets in their work at area stores.

Bud always wanted to help people with whatever they needed. He had a beautiful garden, and gave it all away to others. He loved his family,

camping and fishing. He was looking forward to fishing this spring.

Survivors include his wife of almost 52 years, Ruth, 4 sons, Dennis (Debra) of Milwaukee, David of Florida, Donald of Iowa, and Dale (Virginia) of Argos, Indiana; 3 daughters, Diana (Rick) Dickey of Redgranite, Debbi-Sue (Jerry) Reed of Etna Green, Indiana, and Darla (Dennis) Kinsey of Tippecanoe, Indiana, a brother, Richard (Elaine) DeLap of Oshkosh, and 3 sisters, Tullie (Frank) Parks of Granger, Indiana, Gen Nelsen and Issie (John) Baldwin, both of Oshkosh. He is also survived by 25 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives, and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his son, Devin Delap in August of 1996, his parents, and 2 sisters, Helen DeLap and Mary Ann Fuller.

Funeral Services for Mr. Elden E. "Bud" Delap will be held at 10:30 A.M. Thursday at Trinity Lutheran Church in Redgranite. The Rev. Donald Johnson will officiate. Burial with full military honors will be in the Colburn-Leola Cemetery, Town of Colburn, Adams County. **Friends may call from 4 to 8 P.M. Wednesday at the Ruminski Funeral Home in Redgranite and at Trinity Lutheran Church, Redgranite from 9:30 A.M. Thursday until the time of Services.** Military Honors will be rendered by the Redgranite Am-Vets and V.F.W. at 7:00 P.M. Wednesday evening at the funeral home.

A memorial has been established.

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