

## Robert Price “Bob” Meador

January 15, 1922 - December 14, 2003

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**GLENWOOD** – Robert Price ‘Bob’ Meador, 81, a resident of the Glenwood community, passed away Sunday, Dec. 14, 2003 at his home.

Born Jan. 15, 1922, in Hinton, Summers County, he was preceded in death by his parents, Larkin and Ruth Price Meador and his younger brother, Lark.

He attended public schools in Hinton and in 1943 was inducted into the United States Army. He served in Europe with the 580th Anti-Aircraft Battalion until his discharge in 1946. Afterwards he attended the West Virginia Institute of Technology in Montgomery and graduated with a degree in printing. While there he met and married Margaret Moore of Hinton, who was teaching in Montgomery. They were married there on April 3, 1947.

Following graduation from college, he worked for a time in Columbus, Ohio before moving to the

Bluefield area in 1951. He was employed as an engraver with the *Bluefield Daily Telegraph* for a brief time and later worked over 25 years as a clerk for the United States Postal Service in Bluefield until his retirement. His wife, Margaret, a professor emerita of West Virginia University, served for many years as Mercer County’s Extension Home Economics agent. The couple has resided in the Glenwood community for 52 years.

Bob was noted for his varied interests, two of which included chess and wood-carving. He combined these two interests, for many years, by designing and carving chess sets. He also enjoyed designing and making hand carved jewelry and decorative objects. He was a lifelong environmentalist and after retirement he served as a volunteer 4-H leader and as a volunteer with the Mercer County Retired Senior Volunteer Program. In his later years, despite failing eyesight, he maintained an interest in world affairs and reading, utilizing recorded books. He was an accomplished Scrabble player and spent countless hours with his family playing this game that gave him so much

enjoyment in his latter years.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret; son, James Meador of Plant City, Fla., son, Michael of Asheville, N.C., and daughter, Lora of Frederick, Md.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday from the Burns Wornal Chapel of the Memorial Funeral Directory on the Athens Road in Princeton with the Rev. Nancy Cale officiating. Burial will follow in the Roselawn Memorial Gardens on the Courthouse Road in Princeton.

Friends may visit with the family today from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Friends and family will serve as pallbearers.

The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the National Federation of the Blind, 1800 Johnson St., Baltimore, MD 21230-4998.

The family of Mr. Meador is being served by the Memorial Funeral Directory and Cremation Center on the Athens Road in Princeton.