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**JOHN W. NEWCOMER**

**BERNE - 1915-1999**

John W. Newcomer, 83, of Berne and formerly of Geneva, died Thursday, Jan. 28, 1999, at Chalet Village.

The Bloomfield, Mo., native was a World War II veteran receiving a Purple Heart and Bronze Star.

Surviving are a stepson, Michael D. Doherty of Geneva; stepdaughters Sandra McIntyre and Carol Bodle, both of Decatur, Kay Strausburg of Portland and Vickie Brotherson of Bryant; a brother, J.C. of Bloomfield; 16 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary D., and a stepson, Larry Doherty.

Services are 10:30 a.m. Monday at Downing Funeral Home, Geneva, with calling one hour before services. Burial with military graveside services will be in West Lawn Cemetery.

Memorials are to the Adams County Cancer Society.

Information provided by Downing Funeral Home, Geneva, 1-219-368-7676.