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Donald J. Laux, 88, of Newark, died Monday, Oct. 19, 2015, in Decatur.

Memorial service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, at Christian-Hawkins Funeral Home in Boyd with entombment at 1 p.m. at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery.

Donald was born Mar. 6, 1927, in Appleton, Wis., to Gordon and Rose (Garrity) Laux. He married Yoko Tsumita Apr. 1, 1973, in Tokyo, Japan.

After World War II, Donald joined the Merchant Marines, carrying supplies to Europe. He then entered the Air Force where he served in Korea and Vietnam and retired in 1971. Donald was a member of VFW Post 10374.

He worked at General Dynamics in Fort Worth for 13 years as an aerospace engineer inspector and retired from that position.

Donald was preceded in death by his parents; brothers Patrick and Randy; sister-in-law Emily; and sister Bonita Damro.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Yoko Laux; son Donald Laux Jr. and wife, Barbara, of Wisconsin; daughters Tammie Nelson and husband, Bob, of Wisconsin, and Debra McMullen of Wisconsin; five grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He is also survived by brothers Dave Laux and wife, Judy, of Wisconsin, Gordy Laux and wife, Lois, of Mexico, Joe Laux and wife, Pam, of Florida and John Laux of Wisconsin; sisters Kathy Fondow and husband, Larry, of Wisconsin and Mary Murphy and husband, Tom; sister-in-law Corky Laux of Wisconsin; and other family members and friends.