

Arthur W. Berry |



Arthur W. Berry, 91, of Littleton, formerly of Concord, died Thursday, Dec. 15, 2011, in Concord. He was the beloved husband of 37 years of Harriet (Robus) Berry, who died in September 2005. Born in Concord on Nov. 6, 1920, he was the son of the late Arthur W. and Nellie (Harmon) Berry. He attended Concord schools, was a 1939 graduate of Concord High School and a 1947 graduate of Hart Trade School in Boston. During [World War II](#), he served with the U.S. Army in the North Africa and Italy campaigns. He received two bronze battle stars for his meritorious service. For many years he owned and operated his own construction company before becoming one of the founding originators of Spacemakers Inc. of Canton. He also was employed as a supervisor for special projects for the Acton Public Schools, retiring in 2001. A Master Mason for 64 years, he was a member of Corinthian Lodge AF + AM in Concord, Scottish Rite in Boston and Shriners in Wilmington. Survivors include three daughters, Barbara Ann Berry O'Dowd of Littleton, Phyllis H. Custance of Boxborough, and Diane H. Smith of St. James City, Fla.; a son, David Arthur Berry of Lexington; a sister, Priscilla R. Strate of Boxborough; nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. He was also the brother of the late Helen E. Engebretson of Waltham, Merle J. Taylor of Brownsville, Texas, and John H. Berry of Concord; and grandfather of the late James D. Nelms. A funeral service was held Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 10 a.m., at the Farrar Chapel of the Dee Funeral Home, 27 Bedford St., Concord Center. Officiating was the Rev. Dr. John C. Lombard, Senior Minister of Trinitarian Congregational Church in Concord. Interment with military honors followed in the family burial plot in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, Concord. Visiting hours were Tuesday, Dec. 20, from 3 to 7 p.m., at the Dee Funeral Home. Contributions in his memory may be made to [American Heart Association](#), 20 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701 or to the [charity of one's choice](#). Concord's town flag will fly at half-staff Wednesday, Dec. 21, in recognition of Mr. Berry's service to his country in the U.S. Army during World War II. Arrangements are under the care of Charles W. Dee and Susan M. Dee, Dee Funeral Home of Concord. To share a remembrance in Mr. Berry's guest book please visit www.deefuneralhome.com.

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