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Wilton E. Quant, age 86, of St. Augustine, passed away on January 23, 2010 at his home in St. Augustine. He was born January 2, 1924 in New London, Wisconsin, the son of Alice (Whitman) and Elmer E. Quant. After graduating from Washington High School in New London, Wilton worked as a machine operator until being inducted into the United States Army in April of 1943. He was a front line infantryman in the European theater of operations during World War II. He was wounded twice. He received two bronze battle stars, the Purple Heart medal and was designated an expert rifleman. After being discharged from the Army, he enrolled at the University of Wisconsin where he graduated with a degree in mechanical engineering. He was employed for many years as a project engineer for Caterpillar Tractor Co. in Aurora Illinois. After retirement, he took up residence in St. Augustine, Florida where he met his future wife, Ruth. He was active in the Exchange Club, Riverview club and the St. Augustine ballroom dancing association. He will be remembered for his gentlemanly demeanor and friendly personality. He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Ruth (McCullough) Quant of St. Augustine, a son, Donald Quant of Palatine, Ill., a daughter, Diane Hansen of Aurora, Ill., a brother, Raymond Quant of Madison, Wisconsin, a sister Arlene Fuerst of New London, Wi, four grandchildren, and 3 great grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, Jan 31, at St. Johns Family Funeral Home with Rev.

Wallace Smith officiating. A visitation of family and friends will be held from 3 to 4 p.m. on Sunday at the funeral home, one hour prior to the service. St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.