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Joseph Louis Twyman, 80, a long-time resident of Malden, died February 4, 2007, at Lawrence Memorial Hospital.

He was born and raised in Madison, Va., son of the late Thomas L. and Josephine (Blakey) Twyman. After high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and helped fight during World War II. Just a few years later, he married his sweethearts, Mary Delores "Dee" Straighter in upstate New York. It wasn't too long before they moved to the Boston area and settled in Malden. They shared 55 years together raising their family.

His main occupation was as a printer for Container Corp. in Medford. He had worked for the company for over 34 years until his retirement 18 years ago. He was also a skilled carpenter and along with small side jobs, built a few houses, including the one he and "Dee" shared together.

Mr. Twyman was an avid fisherman and also enjoyed quiet time reading. He was the type of person who most enjoyed spending time at home working on the house and sharing with his wife.

Mr. Twyman had lived in Malden for 40 years.

In addition to his wife, Dee, he is survived by children, Jermone C. Twyman of Malden, Robert W. Twyman of Malden, Patricia Porter of Virginia and Joseph Johnson of Washington, D.C.; his sisters, Julie Dolfinger of D.C. and Mary E. Smith of Malden; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a host of nieces and nephews.

He was the father of the late Patrolman Gary L. Twyman and brother of the late Beatrice Gray and Harrison Twyman.

Visitation will be held Thursday, February 9, at 10 a.m. at the Weir-MacCuish Golden Rule Funeral Home. Burial will be in Puritan Lawn Memorial Park in Peabody.

Contributions may be made to the Lynn Patrolman's Relief Association, Attn.: Lt. Ned Shinnick, 300 Washington St., Lynn, MA 01901.