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He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He married Marcella Wiley on Nov. 25, 1942, at the Presbyterian Church at Pittsburg.

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He was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Oswego, the Lions Club and the American Legion Post No.61 of Oswego.

Survivors include his wife of the home, and a sister, Beryle Fentress of Altamont.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Carl Braley, and a sister, Opal Nagle.

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