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Membership was held in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Frontenac, the Frontenac American Legion Post No.43 of Frontenac, the Veterans of Foreign War post No.1158 of Pittsburg. He was a member of the Frontenac USD 249 School Board from 1962 to 1979 and served as vice-president of the school board for several years.

He was a veteran of World War II serving from March 1943 to March 1946 and served in the European Theater for 18 months.

He married Mary Ann Diskin in the St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Walnut, Kan. on Dec. 28, 1953. She survives at the home.

Additional survivors include three sons, Dan Brunetti and Jim Brunetti of Frontenac and Rick Brunetti of Fredonia; four daughters, Connie Simon of Big Springs, Texas, Denise Redmond of Frontenac, Janice Brunetti of Pittsburg and Teresa Belew of rural Pittsburg; and 13 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Louis Brunetti on Jan. 10, 1970.

Funeral Mass will be 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Frontenac with the Rev. James O'Shea officiating. Burial will be in the Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Frontenac. The Frontenac American Legion Post No.43 will conduct flag-folding services at the graveside. The Parish Rosary will be said at 2 p.m. today at the Friskel Funeral Home, Frontenac and the family will receive friends following the Rosary. Friends may call at the Friskel Funeral Home anytime after 9 a.m. today.
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