

DONALD HENRY BROWN

1914-2013

DECATUR: Donald Henry Brown, 99, a retired engineer from Lone Star Gas, died Tuesday, October 22, 2013 in Decatur.

Donald was born July 17, 1914, in Decatur, Texas to William Weaver and Birdie (Harlan) Brown. He was a graduate of Decatur High School and from Decatur Baptist College. He later received his bachelor's degree in petroleum engineering from Texas A&M.

Donald was united in marriage to Ruth Duncan in Dallas in 1945, and she preceded him in death in 1964. Several years after Ruth's untimely death, Donald married Ruth Goodson in 1970 in Dallas and she preceded him in death in 1996. Donald was also preceded in death by his brother, Harlan Brown.

Donald served in the United States Army during World War II. He was a decorated war hero who fought at Utah Beach in Normandy and liberated Pont L'Abbe with the Army's 90th division. Don was also a member of the Wise County Veterans Group.

Survivors include his three daughters, Linda Cowell and husband, Jim of Decatur, Carolyn DeGeorge and husband, Gary of Grapevine and Marilyn Williams of Nashville, Tennessee; four granddaughters, Vanessa Acker, Susana Acker, Meredith Schneider, and Ashley Poling; seven great-grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Funeral service was held at 11 a.m. Friday, October 25, 2013, at the First United Methodist Church with Reverend Brian Bosworth officiating. Interment: Oaklawn Cemetery. Pallbearers included Bob Johnson, Eddie Green, Ray Nellis, Joe Goodwin, Dick Chase, and Rodney Wooley. Honorary pallbearers included C. B. Hoyl, W. B. Woodruff, Billy Bramlett, J. E. Hayes, J. E. Carson and Sam Renshaw.

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