



J.D. Burch

December 11, 2009

J.D. Burch, 83, of Hot Springs died on Friday, December 11, 2009 in a local hospital. He was born on October 28, 1926 in Hot Springs, Arkansas to the late Clarence and Lucy Mae Lawson Burch, Sr. He was the owner of Valley Glass and the Lake Hamilton Liquor Store, was a U.S. Navy veteran during World War II , serving in the Pacific on the USS Breton during the invasion of Okinawa and upon returning to the United States he piloted an aircraft carrier under the Golden Gate Bridge, a life member of the First United Methodist Church , the Elks Lodge #380, and he was an avid fisherman and hunter, having killed a Royal Elk on one of his hunting trips.

He was predeceased by his parents, two sisters, Bernice Dale and Lucille Smith and one brother, Billy Burch.

Survivors include, his wife of 60 years, Martha June Burch of Hot Springs, one son and daughter-in-law, Jon David and Suzie Burch of Hot Springs, one brother, Clarence Burch, Jr. of Hot Springs, a granddaughter, Jessika Burch-Cook, and his great grandchildren, Ainsley and Ardyn Burch-Cook and Sean Cook, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be Monday, December 14, 2009 at 2:00 P.M. in the First United Methodist Church with Reverends Bud Reeves and David Wilson officiating.

Honorary pallbearers will be Gerald Murders, Keith Miller, Steven Perry, Stuart Perry, Bill Burch, Bud Burch, Randy Smith, Michael Kornegay, James Kornegay, Gary Everhart, Gay Kornegay, Paula Kornegay, Diana Perry, Dale Bennett and Joy Bennett.

Memorials have been designated to the First United Methodist Church, the Emblem Club #194 or Garvan Woodland Gardens.

Arrangements are by Hot Springs Funeral Home.

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