



Floyde Heathington

June 10, 1918 - October 14, 2014

Funeral services for Floyde Heathington, 96, will be Saturday, October 18, 2014, at 2:00 p.m. at Parkway Drive Church of Christ, with burial following in City of Lubbock Cemetery. He died October 14, 2014 after a brief illness.

Floyde was born in Dickens County, Texas on June 10, 1918 to William Rucker Heathington and Lillie Myrtle (Jones) Heathington. He was the youngest of five. Floyde moved to O'Donnell, Texas where he graduated high school in 1937. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in February, 1942. He served in combat, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant while attached to Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 303rd Infantry Regiment, 97th Infantry Division. He commanded an anti-tank gun crew in the European theater in 1944, and then participated in the occupation of Japan in 1945-46. He received several commendations including the Bronze Star. He came to Lubbock in 1946 and was active in real estate, carpentry and general contracting/remodeling. He renovated the original structure of the Buddy Holly party house to its current size and built several other houses which are in use today including his own, a replacement for one destroyed in the 1970 Lubbock tornado. He was active in politics and ran for several public offices. He was a member of the Church of Christ, DAV, VFW and the NRA.

Floyde was preceded in death by his wife of 61 years, Ruth. He is survived by one son, Marion Heathington and wife Juanita of Lubbock; three

grandchildren, Chad Henderson and wife Kendall, of Belton, Dana Casteel and husband Philip of Lubbock, SSgt Jason Heathington of Austin, Arkansas; and four great grandchildren, Colby, Madelyn and Caroline Henderson and Alaina Casteel. He is also survived by three nephews, Gerow Roberts, Mike Lewis and Kenneth Heathington and a host of friends. Special thanks to Vicki, Jordan and Danielle. The family is forever grateful for your effort on his behalf.

In lieu of flowers, your favorite charity or donations to: Lubbock Homes For Heroes, 4223 85th St, Lubbock, TX 79423.

Cemetery Details

City of Lubbock Cemetery

2011 East 31st Street
Lubbock, TX 79404

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 17. 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM (CT)

Sanders Funeral Home
1420 Main Street
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Service

OCT 18. 2:00 PM (CT)

Parkway Drive Church
Lubbock, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Floyd Heathington.* ”



October 17, 2014 at 11:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Floyd Heathington.* ”



October 17, 2014 at 11:13 AM