



Ernest Albert Heinke

December 15, 1918 - January 11, 2018

Ernest Albert Heinke, 99, passed away January 11, 2018 in Bryan, Texas. Funeral Services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Caldwell. Burial to follow at Caldwell Masonic Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday prior to service.

Ernest was born on December 15, 1918 in Caldwell, Texas; one of eleven children born to August Charles and Mary Martha “Hattie” (Schroeder) Heinke. He joined the Army on February 26, 1941, and served in the Western Pacific during World War II, as Private 1st class, with the 254th Signal Construction Company. His job title was Lineman, Telephone & Telegraph and in this capacity, he installed, repaired and maintained permanent and semi-permanent military telephone and telegraph wire systems. Corrected causes of short circuits and spliced broken lines. He was familiar with operation rules and regulations governing wire communication systems of organizations to which he was assigned, and was able to read maps and sketches. Ernest was promoted to Corporal of the 254th Signal Construction Company on November 5, 1941 at Fort Ord, California. He received his Honorable Discharge October 27, 1945 at Fort Sam Houston.

He married Lillian Millie (Foyt) Heinke and made their home in Alvin, Texas. Ernest worked approximately 30 years for Monsanto before retiring and

moving back to Caldwell. Ernest and Lillian did not have any children. He enjoyed spending his days hunting, fishing gardening, and playing dominoes with relatives.

Ernest was preceded in death by his parents, August Charles and Mary Martha; his loving wife, Lillian; six sisters, Olga Wotipka, Rosie Gold, Alice Kristof, Helen Huddleston, Minnie Meyers and Eula Wood. Four brothers, Robert (Bob), Herbert (H), Walter (Dub), and Emanuel (Doc) Heinke.

Survivors include his nephews, Charles and wife Sharon Wood, Phil Wood, Jr., Delmas and wife Marie Heinke and Charles Huddleston. A niece, Josephine Albertson, as well as numerous great nephews and nieces. Pallbearers are Travis Wood, Cyndi Zwernemann, Kimmy Anderson, Preston Zwernemann, Frankie DeLeon, and Delmas Heinke. Honorary pallbearers are David Whitfield and Charles Wood.

In lieu of flowers the family requests making a donation in his name to Hospice Brazos Valley.

Cemetery Details

Caldwell Masonic Cemetery

1411 W. Buck St.
Caldwell, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **16**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Caldwell
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Chapel Service

JAN **16**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



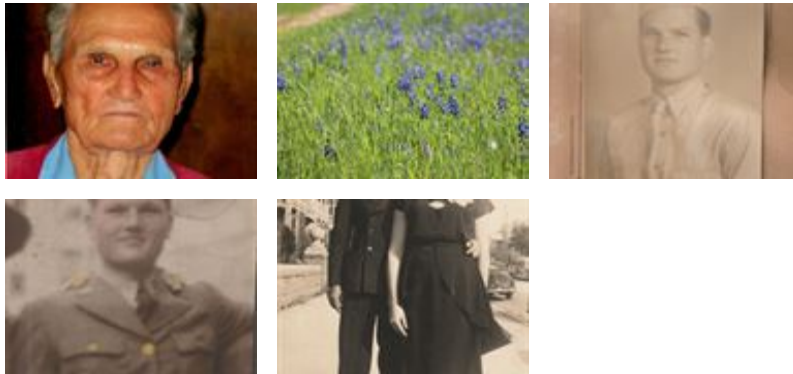
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