



## William Claude DeWees

March 6, 1927 - September 16, 2014

Graveside service for William Claude Dewees, 87 of Rockdale, will be 4:00 p.m. Thursday, September 18, 2014 in the Salem Cemetery near Hempstead, Texas. James Dewees will officiate.

William Claude Dewees was born March 6, 1927 in Hempstead to Joe B. and Mary E. (Crowhurst) Dewees. He served in the U.S. Army from 1945 to 1947. On March 15, 1949, he and Betty Jo Youngblood were married near Pleasanton.

William lived in Rockdale and worked for Washington National Insurance Company as a route manager covering Milam, Lee and Williamson County areas. He received numerous awards through his work.

He passed away Tuesday, September 16, 2014 in the Scott & White Hospital in Brenham. He was preceded in death by his son, William C. "Bill" Dewees, Jr. on April 15, 2011; his wife, Betty Jo Dewees on November 23, 1997; his parents and a brother, Wallace Parham Dewees.

Surviving are two brothers, James Dewees of Alexandria, Louisiana and John Dewees of Joplin, Missouri; Two sisters, Mary Jo Elkins of Katy and Elva D. Mathis of Hempstead along with a number of nieces and nephews.