



Billy Joe Higginbotham

November 7, 1926 - October 9, 2012

On October 9, 2012, Bill Higginbotham, 85, of Tyler walked into heaven so happy to feel completely well. We know God welcomed him with open arms. He was born on November 7, 1926 in Maud, Texas to Joe and Bertha Higginbotham.

Mr. Higginbotham was a veteran of World War II, proudly serving his country in the United States Navy. He owned and operated East Texas Electronics in Tyler for almost 40 years until his retirement in 1994.

Bill loved researching his family tree, “piddling” in his shop and spending time working on projects at “the ranch” on the South Llano River near Junction.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Bertha Higginbotham of Texarkana, two brothers, Desmond Higginbotham and James Harold Higginbotham of Texarkana and a grandson, Matthew McGinney of Junction. Bill is survived by Marjorie, his wife of 65 years, three daughters and sons-in-law, Linda and Chris Marshall of Tyler, Barbara and Stuart McGinney of Junction, Leslie and Dwain Faught of Calallen and one son and daughter-in-law, Billy and Sheila Higginbotham of Tyler.

He is also survived by eight grandchildren, David Marshall, Lisa Curbow, Christi Hightower, Laura Curbow, Kathryn McGinnney, Megan Higginbotham, Kevin Faught and Clay Faught as well as eight great grandchildren, all of whom he loved dearly.

Family will receive friends from 6 pm to 7:30 pm on Thursday, October 11 at Stewart Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway in Tyler. A graveside

service will be held at 2 pm on Friday, October 12 at Rose Hill Cemetery, 2400 South Donnybrook in Tyler with Reverend Pike Wisner officiating.

Mr. Higginbotham was a long time member of First Baptist Church in Tyler.

Honorary pallbearers will be the Fisherman's Sunday School Class from First Baptist.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the East Texas Food Bank, POB 6974, Tyler, TX 75711 or the Matthew McGinney Memorial, POB 606, Junction, TX 76849.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **11**. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
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