

IRA C. WILKERSON, JR.



Ira C. (Bill) Wilkerson, Jr., 91, of Callahan, passed away Friday, February 8. He was born November 13, 1927 to the late Ira C. Wilkerson, Sr. and Emma Elam Wilkerson in DeFuniak Springs, Florida. Mr. Wilkerson served in the United States Army from January 24, 1946 to July 4, 1947. He then made a career in the Plumbing and Pipefitting industry, retiring from Local Union #234 Plumbers and Steamfitters.

Bill had a passion for outdoor life, especially hunting and fishing, but his greatest desire was to serve his Heavenly Father as a deacon for over 60 years. He also enjoyed fellowship with his church family at Callahan First Baptist and Sunday school members.

Being very civic minded he served as Town Councilman for the Town of Callahan from 1979 to 1990.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Gladys Proveaux Wilkerson; his two sons Mitch and Marty (Linda) Wilkerson of Callahan; daughter Melanie (Steve) Crawford; six grandchildren Kari (Bradley) Vennard, Shelly Wilkerson, Holly (Joshua) Wicker, Jarrod (Courtney) Killen, Brittany Robertson and Chloe Crawford; and five great-grandchildren; and three brothers Robert Wilkerson, Chester (Janice) Wilkerson and Jerome (Sue) Wilkerson;.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 12 in the First Baptist Church of Callahan. Interment followed in Jones Cemetery, Callahan. Visitation was held prior to service.

Condolences may be expressed at www.callahanfh.com.

Arrangements by Callahan Funeral Home, Inc.