

Morris, S.T.

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S. T. Morris, 95 of McAlester passed away on February 13, 2017. He was born on January 31, 1922 in Sallisaw, Oklahoma to Ralph McConnell Morris and Lucy Elizabeth (Jackson) Morris. After graduating from Haywood High School, Mr. Morris enlisted in the United States Army where he served with honors until 1946. He earned the rank of Master Sergeant. MSgt Morris served in World War II in the 383rd Inf, 96th Div. where he earned the Purple Heart, Two Bronze Stars, Two Bronze Arrowheads and other distinctions. He married Wanda L. Morris and the couple had four children.

After serving our country, Mr. Morris began a new career of service as a school teacher. He earned his Bachelor"s Degree at East Central University and later obtained his Master"s Degree from the University of Oklahoma. He taught at Pine Hollow, Rock Creek, Stuart, Yeager, Moss, and Sasakwa Schools. He was a beloved teacher and influenced and educated many students over his 33 years of service. He was also a man of faith and a member of the Stuart and Yeager Baptist Churches.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Wanda L. Morris, brothers Mack Morris, Jay Morris and Ralph Morris.

Survivors include his wife Wanda Riddle Morris of McAlester, children Roger Morris of Shawnee, Gail Brown of Holdenville, Danny Morris of Wetumka, and Jill Welch of Ada, sister Clara Lawyer of Seminole, grandchildren Kasey Dodd, Blaine Morris, TreyDon Brown, Kisha Bumpers, Torey Brown, Michael Anderson, Kortney White, Aaron Morris, Derrick Morris, Brie Welch, Chase Welch, and Destiny Rupe; great-grandchildren Trilby Brown, Gavin Welch, Brodie Morris, Jaxson White, Kaden Welch, Garrett Anderson, Lane Morris, R. J. Morris, Gabbie Morris, MaKena Anderson, Sutton Morris, Landon Metz, Hayes White, Larron Morris, Andree Welch, Grayson Morris, Sophie Morris, Amelia Brown, Tripp Welch, Jillian Smith, Clay Anthony Dodd, Gwendolyn Dodd, Alec Bumpers, Kayla Bumpers, Levi Morris and Lofton Morris; great-great-grandchild Arielle Brown as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services are scheduled for 11:00AM on Friday, February 17, 2017 at the Stuart First Baptist Church. Bill Robinson will officiate the service assisted by Billy Sanmillan. Pallbearers will be Blaine Morris, TreyDon Brown, Torey Brown, Aaron Morris, Chase Welch, Derrick Morris, and Michael Anderson. Interment will follow at the Pryor Cemetery in Stuart, Oklahoma with full military honors. Services are under the direction of Hudson-Phillips Funeral Home in Holdenville, Oklahoma. Online condolences to the family can be made at www.phillipsfuneralservice.com.