



Sizemore, Marvin Paul

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Marvin Paul Sizemore, 88, of Gainesville, passed away with his family by his side on April 3, 2011 at the E.T. York Hospice Care Center, Gainesville, Florida.

He was born March 17, 1923 in Mooresville, North Carolina and lived most of his life in Charlotte, North Carolina. Prior to moving to Gainesville two years ago, he lived for ten years in Kinston, North Carolina. He fought with the 96th Infantry, U.S. Army, during World War II, participating in battles at Okinawa and Leyte, after which he was awarded the Bronze Star for valor. He was a proud member of the American Legion for forty-seven years.

Paul was a man of quiet dignity but quick humor, qualities that endeared him to many. After retiring from Retreading Equipment in Charlotte, Paul spent most of his time golfing, gardening, and woodworking. He especially enjoyed making things for his family and friends in his small backyard shop. During baseball season, he could always be found watching his favorite team, the Atlanta Braves.

Paul is survived by his wife of 56 years, Helen Steward Sizemore, his daughter, Paulette Sizemore McFadden, and her husband Stephen Lee McFadden, all of Gainesville. He was preceded in death by his son, Alan Paul Sizemore, of San Francisco, California.

A memorial service will be held at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL on Thursday, April 14th at 11:30 AM. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be sent to the Gainesville Fisher House Foundation, P.O. Box 358296, Gainesville, FL 32635. Please indicate the donation is in memory of Marvin Paul Sizemore.