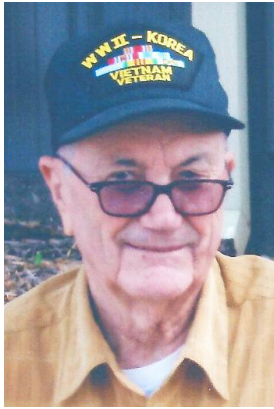


James Robert Lee Hall



James Robert Lee Hall, a longtime resident of Perkins, Oklahoma, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, Nov. 15, 2015, at the age of 92. James was born on July 21, 1923, in Boswell, Oklahoma, to Stell and Rosa Hall.

Services will be held at Strode Funeral Home on Friday, Nov. 20, 2015, at 2:00p.m. followed by a graveside service and military honors at Perkins Cemetery.

James came to Perkins, Oklahoma in 1943 to attend college at Stillwater A&M and he worked at the poultry farm. He met the love of his life, Mildred Chapman, and they were married on Aug. 19, 1944. They enjoyed 71 wonderful years of marriage and they were blessed with six children, five daughters and one son.

Also in 1944, James chose to proudly serve his country by enlisting in the United States Navy where he served until 1951. During his enlistment he served tours of duty in World War II and the Korean War. He then joined the United States Air Force and served until 1975 performing two tours of duty in the Vietnam War.

During his time in the Navy, he spent most of his time in the Pacific on several different ships. Some of these ships included the YMS 198 aboard which they performed mine sweeping operations, and the USS Archernar (AKA53) where they made invasions on Korea to support nearby ground operations and transport the men and equipment of the 1st Marine Division and the 2nd Infantry Division.

While in the Air Force, James filled many duties. Among those he served as a diesel mechanic, electrician and power plant superintendent. His training took him to many duty stations and included installation and support operations for various Minuteman missile silos.

During his time in service, James saw many parts of the world including the Caribbean Islands, Japan, the Panama Canal, Cuba, Greenland, Canada, Thailand, Germany, France, England, Spain and 12 different states.

He was a distinguished Non Commissioned Officer achieving the rank of Master Sergeant (E-7) and his decorations include the World War II Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, Korean Service Medal, National Defense Medal, Air Force Good Conduct Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Good Conduct Medal.

In recognition of his service to our nation, James was taken to Washington D.C. on June 4, 2014, as a participant in the Oklahoma Honor Flight program. His trip included visits to the World War II Memorial, the Lincoln Memorial, the Vietnam and Korea War Memorials, and a trip to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier where he was able to watch the changing of the Guard.

James is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Mildred Hall of Perkins, four daughters Louise Andrews and husband Bob of Perkins, Wanda Caldwell of Stillwater, Linda Northcutt and husband Bill of Perkins, Janie Austell and partner Mike of Stillwater, and one son, Kenneth Hall of Perkins. He has 15 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great grandchildren.

James is predeceased by his parents, Stell and Rosa Hall, one brother, Paul Hall, one sister, Elizabeth Sales, and one daughter, Rosa Sexton.

During his long and adventurous life, James made many friends and was a positive influence on many lives. His kindness to his fellow man is well known and he gave his love freely to any person in need. Words alone cannot express the impact that James made on the world around him and his loss will be felt by many far and wide. His memory will live on in the hearts and minds of those he loved so dearly and his spirit will remain strong for eternity.