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Funeral for Keith W. Simkins, 79, of Decatur, is 10 a.m.

Thursday, Oct. 27, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Decatur with Bishop Joey Harrison officiating. Burial will follow at 2:15 p.m. at DFW National Cemetery in Grand Prairie.

Visitation is 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26, at Coker-Hawkins Funeral Home. Simkins died Monday, Oct. 24, 2011, in Bonham.

Born Oct. 31, 1931, in Ursine, Nev., to Waldo and Peggy (Sparks) Simkins, he married Veda Jo Turner Feb. 25, 1968, in Durant, Okla. Simkins was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Decatur.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Howard Simkins and a daughter.

Simkins is survived by his wife; daughters Sherlyn Fackrell and husband, Howard, Jody Anne Simkins and Ginger Martin, all of Nevada, and Vicki McCutcheon and husband, Howard, of Wyoming; grandchildren Amy, Duane, Darrell, Dusty, Alisa, Veronica, Sean and Farah; brothers Frank Simkins and Dan Simkins; sisters Hazel Davis and Murial Martin; great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers are Victor Presher, Glen Philipbar, Tad Billmire, Ken Blankenfeld, Larry Gaston, Steve Dahlbo and Bobby Gaddis