

Woodard Tipton Read | 1926-2015

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Woodard Tipton Read, 89, of Bedford, died Saturday, Nov. 7, 2015, in Bedford.

Funeral was Nov. 10 at Hawkins Funeral Home in Bridgeport with the Rev. Lee Trigg officiating. Burial will follow at Paradise Cemetery.

Visitation is one hour prior to the service.

Pallbearers were Taylor Dedeke, Jason Waldie, Simon Wolfe, Sammy Waldie and Ryan Abel.

Woodard was born Jan. 29, 1926, in Philippi, Tenn., to Thomas and Lucille (Tipton) Read. He married Mildred Clement July 15, 1950, in Denton and served his country in the U.S. Army. Woodard retired from MAPCO. He was a tool designer and hydraulic engineer.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Tennessee Sendak and Doris Bogart; and brother Tommy Read.

Woodard is survived by his wife of 65 years, Mildred "Midge" C. Read of Bedford; daughters Joyce Waldie of Fort Worth and Jan Dedeke and husband, Ron, of Aledo; grandchildren Jason Waldie of Keller, Tiffany Wolfe and husband, Simon, of Roanoke, Samuel Waldie of Washington, D.C., Candice Abel and husband, Ryan, of Weatherford and Taylor Dedeke of Bryan; great-grandchildren Isabel Waldie, Grace Waldie, Chase Wolfe and Hadley Wolfe; and other family members and friends.