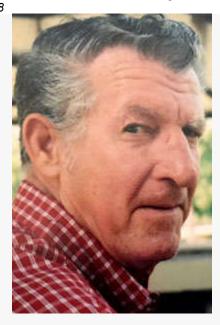
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Samuel Black Sr.

Samuel "Sam" Jefferson Black Sr., 77, of Decatur, died Tuesday, Jan. 9 in Chico. Funeral was Friday, Jan. 12, 2018, at Morris Memorial United Methodist Church in Chico with burial in Chico Cemetery. Rev. Mike Miller officiated. Pallbearers were members of the Masonic Lodge 508.

Sam was born on May 11, 1940, to Clarence W. and Ruby Blanch (McIntire) Black in Bridgeport. He married Anetta Sue Lovejoy Dec. 15, 1960, in Chico. He was a member of the Morris Memorial United Methodist Church in Chico. Sam was also a member of the Chico Masonic Lodge 508 and Scottish Rite.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Sam Black Jr.; and his sister, Doris Hill.

Sam is survived by his wife of 57 years, Sue Black of Chico; his son, Russell Black and wife Peggy of Chico; his brother, Richard Black; his grandchildren, Brandie Williams and husband Brian, Braiden Black and wife Scout and Skylar Black; his great grandchildren, Samuel Williams and Lauren Williams.