



# Standridge, Bennie Edward, Jr

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Bennie Edward Standridge Jr., 92, of Decatur, died Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2019, in Decatur.

Service was Jan. 28 at Burleson Memorial Cemetery with retired Col. Gerald K. Bishop officiating.

Pallbearers were Steve Parks Jr., Derek Hollenbeck, Josh Hart, Michael Parks, Bobby Holloway and Ronny Youngblood.

Bennie was born Aug. 6, 1926, in Jefferson County, Ala., to Bennie Edward Sr. and Margaret Redd Standridge. Ed volunteered for the U.S. Navy at 17. He served on the U.S.S. Nevada during the Iwo Jima invasion. He studied electrical engineering at the University of Alabama

and married Bobbie Bonham Nov. 27, 1948. They spent time at Nellis Air Force Base in Nevada. They moved to Texas in 1953 and were married 37 years before her passing in 1986. Ed was employed as a senior design engineer with General Dynamics and Bell Helicopter for 45 years. He was a deacon at the First Baptist Church in Joshua. He married Eilenn Owens June 18, 1989. Ed was a member of several Masonic lodges in Tarrant, Wise and Young counties for more than 60 years and served as a district deputy grand master in District 106. He was in the American Volunteer Reserve (AVR). He was recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow by Rotary International.

Ed was preceded in death by his sister, Dorothy Ruth; brothers William and Robert Standridge; and wife Bobbie.

He is survived by his wife; daughter Connie Parks and husband, Steve, of Burleson; son Bennie Edward Standridge III of Glen Rose; stepdaughter Sonya Holloway and husband, Bobby, of Decatur; sister Margaret Ann Porter of Lipscomb, Ala.; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.