

Coker, Jesse | 1923-2018

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Jesse Coker

Jesse Coker, 94, of Rhome, died Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2018, in Decatur.

Funeral is 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 6, at Hawkins Funeral Home in Decatur with Dr. Joe Tims officiating. Burial will follow at Prairie Mound Cemetery in Argyle. Pallbearers are John McPherson, Jim Rose, Steve Otremba, Travis Rose, Austin Ledford and Patrick Coker.

Honorary pallbearers are Logan Otremba and Michael Coker.

Jesse was born Oct. 21, 1923, in Collin County to Jesse and Josephine (Knight) Coker. He married Dorothy Nell Calvert March 12, 1946, in Rhome. Jesse retired from General Dynamics where he worked for 20 years. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Newark and served his country in the United States Army during World War II.

Jesse was preceded in death by his parents; son Kenneth Coker; and four sisters.

He's survived by his wife of 72 years, Dorothy Coker of Rhome; daughter Nancy McPherson and husband, Paul, of Rhome; son Ronny Coker and wife, Marlyn, of Hughes Springs; grandchildren Cheryl Rose and husband, Jim, John McPherson and wife, Tracy, Jennifer Otremba and husband, Steve, Michael Coker, Michelle Goodson and Kendra Sims; 12 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; brother Sammie Coker; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.