



Earnest Mack Swing

August 9, 1926 - January 6, 2013

Earnest Mack Swing, 86, St. Joseph, Mo., died Sunday (Jan. 6, 2013) at a local healthcare facility. He was born Aug. 9, 1926, to James and Annie Bell (Armstrong) Swing in Petersburg. Earnest married Marguerite Smith on June 27, 1953. She preceded him in death on May 31, 1973. He served in the United States Army from 1950-1952 while stationed in Germany and was a veteran of the Korean War. Mr. Swing obtained a business degree at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville and worked for Wire Rope Corporation of America for thirty-three years in traffic control. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; and three brothers, Boyd, Linn and Ray. Survivors include four sons, David Swing (Kathryn) of St. Joseph, Markus Swing (Michelle), Jackson, Miss., Richard Swing (Dawn), St. Joseph, and Brian Swing (Karen), Kansas City, Mo.; and eight grandchildren, Kale Swing, Marguerite Swing, Matthew Swing, Michael Swing, Cody Swing, Keith Swing (Katherine), Catherine Swing and Adam Swing. The family will receive friends from 5 until 8 p.m. Thursday, January 10, 2013, at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held Friday, January 11, 2013, at 11:00 A.M. at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home. Burial will be in Gatlin Cemetery, Ardmore, Al. The family suggests memorial gifts to the American Cancer Society.