



Henry C. Tipton

March 4, 1915 - January 14, 2008

Lt. Col. (Ret) Henry Clayburn Tipton, died January 14, 2008. He was born March 4, 1915, in Oakville, Tennessee. He grew up on his family's farm in Horn Lake, Mississippi, and graduated from Mississippi State University in 1939.

He served in WWII in England and North Africa. He was in the 501st Parachute Battalion, which was the very first to be deployed in any war, when the unit participated in the invasion of North Africa in 1942. This Battalion later became the 82nd Airborne. Lt. Col. Tipton Served for a total of 22 years at bases all over the world.

After retiring from the Army in 1961 he and his family returned to Starkville, MS where he earned his Ph. D. in biology and animal nutrition from Mississippi State University. Dr. Tipton was then a professor of biological sciences at the University of South Florida in Tampa. He retired from teaching and returned to Starkville in 1980. He and his wife, Elizabeth, lived there until 2001 when they moved to Newnan, GA.

He was an active member of the Methodist Church, Gideon International and the Exchange Club. He had been an active gardener.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Elizabeth Tipton, and his daughters Ann Tipton of Decatur, and Sarah LaMance and husband Chris of Newnan; his sons Henry Tipton and his wife Ann of Sautee-Nacoochee, and Bill Tipton and his wife Barbara of Kenny Lake, Alaska. He also leaves five grandchildren- Chris, Elizabeth and Preston LaMance, and Duncan and Jacob

Tipton, and three great grand children- John, Jacob and Stella.

A memorial service is scheduled for 3:00 Saturday, January 19 in the auditorium at Wesley Woods in Newnan.

In lieu of flowers please contribute to the charity of your choice, to Operation Smile, or the First United Methodist Church building fund.

Cemetery Details

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