

Oliver G. Dodson

June 27, 1911 - Nov. 2, 2005

Oliver Grant Dodson, 94, Kokomo, died 11:15 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2005, at St. Joseph Hospital. He was born June 27, 1911, in Riceville, Tenn., a son of Jesse Grant and June K. (Cooper) Dodson. He was married Feb. 26, 1940, in Cleveland, Tenn., to Vivian O. Pike, who preceded him in death Jan. 23, 1980.

He was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II, achieving the rank of staff sergeant. He was born and raised in Tennessee. After the war in 1946, he moved to Kokomo, where he was employed as a quality control inspector in the transmission plant of Chrysler Corporation, retiring in 1971.

He attended First Church of God. In retirement, he was most active volunteering his time, talent and treasure with the American Red Cross, the Cancer Society and the Kokomo Rescue Mission. He was a very generous man who loved helping people.

Surviving are several nieces and nephews; and a special friend, Betty Spears of Virginia. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Jimmy Dodson; one brother, Emmett Dodson; and three sisters, Dottie Dodson, Sarah Dodson and Margaret Burke.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Shirley & Stout Funeral Home, Lincoln Road Chapel, 1315 W. Lincoln Road, with Pastor Jerry Ausbrook officiating. Burial will follow in Albright Cemetery with military honors provided by the U.S. Army and the Kokomo VFW Military Rites Team. Friends may call at the funeral home from 3 until 8 p.m. today. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kokomo Rescue Mission, 321 W. Mulberry St. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Source: Kokomo Tribune

Published: 11/04/2005