



## John M. Merritt

November 2, 1926 - December 24, 2017

John M. "Buddy" Merritt passed away Sunday morning, December 24, 2017, at his home. He was born on November 2nd, 1926 in Giles County and was 91 years old. He was an Army WWII veteran and a member of the West Madison Street Church of Christ. He retired after 38 years from Nabisco where he was an account executive. He founded Merritt Popcorn Company and retired Chairman Emeritus in 2010. He was a cattle farmer who loved his family and was a faithful Christian.

Visitation will be 4 to 7 Tuesday, December 26th, 2017 at Bennett-May-Giles County Funeral Home.

The funeral service will be 1:00pm Wednesday, December 27, 2017, in the chapel of Bennett-May-Giles County Funeral Home with Bro. Reg Ginn and Bro. Will Hamilton officiating.

Burial with full military honors will follow in the Anthony Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial donations be made to Sacred Selections Adopting c/o 1608 Manasco Circle Folsom, CA 95630

He was preceded in death by his parents Adrian and Allie Reagan Merritt along with his brothers James A. Merritt and Clare D. Merritt.

He is survived by;

His wife of 68 years Mable Boyd Merritt of Pulaski.

Son Thomas A. Merritt of Pulaski.

Daughter Judy C. Merritt of Lynchburg, TN.

Son John M. (DeLane) Merritt, Sr. of Pulaski

9 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren

Several nieces and nephews also survive.

Bennett-May-Giles County Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements for  
John M. "Buddy" Merritt.

# Tribute Wall

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“ While growing up my strongest memory of Uncle Buddy is sitting listening to him remanence and tell stories. He always seemed friendly, caring and funloving! He loved his family and was proud of them. He will be missed by all of us.

*Jacque Merritt Davis ( and husband Lee)*

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**Jacque Davis (niece)** - February 09, 2017 at 05:13 PM

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“ Mabel, Tom, Judy, & Mike...I am thinking of you and your "loss" and John's "gain". There are so many memories I could share from your days in Meridian; but two stand out....

1. John was a wonderful Bible Class Teacher. As a teenager I always looked forward to going to his class. Always "positive" and "spiritually uplifting".

2. Many times on the way to services mom and/or dad would say to Sam and me...."Now don't ask bro. Merritt for any Nabisco Cookie Samples." One time Mom caught him giving me a box of Oreo's, out of the back of the blue 57 Chevy, she said "John why are you doing that?" He gave her a box and she quit fussing!!!!

Love

*Brooks & Nancy Cochran*

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