



Nov. 23, 1923 - May 20, 2012

Harry Glenn Houpe, Sr., 88, of Nebo, NC passed away Sunday, May 20, 2012. Born in Iredell County, NC on November 23, 1923, he was the son of the late David Harvey Houpe and Bessie Hager Houpe. Harry was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran in the Pacific Theater of WWII, having been stationed on Midway Island. He served as a member of the Burke Rescue Squad from 1958 until 1975. Harry worked for Drexel Heritage Furnishings for over 20 years until he went to work for the Burke County Sheriff Department under Sheriff Wise. He stayed with the Sheriff Department from 1968 until 1975 when he became Chief of Police in Glen Alpine. He retired in 1988. Harry is survived by his sons, Harry Houpe, Jr. and wife, Linda, of Nebo and Richard L. Houpe of Morganton; a daughter, Marina Houpe Reece and husband, Mike, of Morganton; grandchildren, Kyle Reece, Patrick Houpe, Emily Lackey, Kelley Rector, Daniel Merrill, Elizabeth McKinnon, Brett Houpe, Tyler Houpe, Mikala Houpe, Joslyn Houpe, and Ethan Houpe; sixteen great-grandchildren; and a number of nephews and nieces. In addition to his parents, Harry was preceded in death by his wife, Treva Mae Coffey Houpe; brother, Ben Houpe, Harvey Houpe, and Vernis Houpe; and a sister, Georgia Baker. The funeral will be held at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, May 24, 2012 in the Colonial Chapel of Sossoman Funeral Home with Rev. Doug Worley officiating. Burial will follow in Forest Hill Cemetery with military honors provided by Marine Corps League Table Rock Detachment #1197. The family will receive friends at the funeral home for one hour prior to the service.

No tributes added yet.