
James W. Putnam(1930 - 2016)

James W. Putnam was born Sept. 2, 1930, to William and Zula Putnam. He died on Thursday, March 17, 2016, surrounded by his family. Funeral: 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church, 511 Cooke St., Nocona. Burial: 3 p.m. in Moore Memorial Gardens, 1219 N. Davis Drive, Arlington. Visitation; 6 to 7 p.m. Monday at Scott Morris Funeral Home, 212 E Oak St., Nocona. Jim was a true self-made businessman, a storyteller and a lifelong hard worker. His character was outspoken and resilient. He tried his hand at many trades throughout his life and found great success in the oil and gas industry. Jim called Nocona home for many years, where he raised his two daughters, Rebecca and Cathy. Here, he became a longstanding member of Jean's Downtown Men's Bible Class. He was in the army in Korea and a life member of the VFW. On Jan. 20, 1976, he married Cleo Bullard. They spent many years traveling and researching the Putnam ancestry together - one of Jim's true passions. They later relocated to Arlington where Jim liked to spend time creating a sanctuary of roses in his backyard. Jim touched the lives of many, especially as a loving Papa to six granddaughters and 11 great-grandchildren. He loved a good game of cards and dominos and would, most certainly, win no matter the opponent. He was preceded in death by his father, William Putnam; mother, Zula Alexander; sister, Edith Kunkel; brother, Robert Putnam; brother, Roger Putnam; and daughter, Rebecca Barnett. Survivors: He is survived by his wife, Cleo; daughter, Cathy Olds; granddaughter, Mitzi Scott; granddaughter, Amanda Middleton; granddaughter, Codie Meehan; granddaughter, Kylie Linderman; granddaughter, Katie Kosch; and granddaughter, Cassandra Kelley; along with his great-grandchildren, Bryson, Benjamin, Tristan, Baylee, Hailey, Shawn, Brayden, Alexander, Deacon, Ryker and Mason. In addition, he is survived by his sister, Virginia Kitchens; sister, Julia Roberts; brother, Sam Alexander (Kelly); and sister-in-law, Betty Putnam (Robert) Putnam.

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