

Obits.

Baker

12-21-2001

**Baker, Howard**

Services for Howard Baker, 82, were held Sept. 25 at Wickline United Methodist church with interment at Arlington Memory Gardens under the direction of Bill Eisenhower NE Funeral Home. He passed away Sept. 21.

Mr. Baker was born to Levi and Ednah (Malcomson) Baker in City of Troy, Wisconsin on Nov. 16, 1918. He married Vivian Baker on Nov. 18, 1944 in Eagle, Wisconsin. Howard was a member of the VFW, DAV, Chigger Diggers, and Wally Bynum Caravan Club. He was also a member of N.O.A.H. ("Not Old At Heart") at his church, Wickline United Methodist. He served in the U.S. Army in the 632nd Tank Destroy Battalion during World War II. He retired from Tinker Air Force Base in 1970.

He is survived by a daughter, Rebecca Ediger and husband Ralph of Midwest City; 6 grandchildren, Ben P. Austin IV and wife, Alicia of Midwest City, Robert Austin and wife, Kelley of Edmond, Jared L. Austin and wife, Trisha of Midwest City, Tammi R. Schulte and husband, Eric of Wichita, KS, Chad R. Ediger of Midwest City, Stephen W. Austin and wife, Lindsay of Midwest City; 8 great grandchildren, Zachary, Micayla, Ben Patton, Taylor, Isabel, Abigail, Karli and Jordan; brother, Gerald Baker of WI; brother-in-laws, Robert Staniach of WI, Donald Betts and wife, Lavern of East Troy, WI, sister-in-law Ladell Betts of TN; special cousin, Mary Lou Steinike of TX; numerous nieces, nephews and other family members. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Vivian, son-in-law Ben P. Austin III and sister-in-law Dorothy Baker.

