

William Edward Poole, 90, Mt. Juliet, joined our Lord Thursday, March 21.

Poole was born in Potts Camp, Miss June 7, 1922. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1941 and served four years in the European Theater as a Master Sgt. and Crew Chief on B-24 Bombers. Mr. Poole was awarded a Bronze Star for his courageous service. Upon his return in 1945, he served four more years as a Chief Petty Officer in the Naval Reserve. In civilian life, Poole worked for National Airways and Universal Tire Company before joining Ford Motor Company in 1964. He served 33 years with Ford Tractor Ops as the marketing and sales manager in Virginia and New York. Mr. Poole retired in 1984 and began his love affair with golf where he had 8 hole-in-one. Mr. Poole was a devout Christian and member of First Baptist Church of Mt. Juliet. He was a devoted husband and family man.

He is survived by: wife of 67 years, Carolyn Poole; daughter, Lynda (Ron) Salyer; sons, Mitch (Tina) Poole and Mike (Stacey) Poole; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren

Funeral services were Monday, March 25 at Bond Memorial Chapel with Pastor Andy Hale officiating. Interment with military honors was Tuesday, March 26, at Middle Tennessee Veterans Cemetery. Active pallbearers were Mike Poole, Ron Salyer, Jamie Salyer, Todd Salyer, Len Poole and Ethan Goodwin. Honorary pallbearers will be Ed Moore, Ken "Lumpy" Sullinger and Fred Mays.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation or the charity of your choice.

Visitation was Sunday and prior to service time Monday at Bond Memorial Chapel, N. Mt. Juliet Road and Weston Drive, Mt. Juliet, TN. (615)773-2663. Obit Line (615)641-2663, [www.bondmemorial.com](http://www.bondmemorial.com).