



Tirie Thomas Hendricks

November 14, 1921 - August 20, 2011

Tirie Thomas Hendricks Jennings: Funeral services for Tirie Thomas Hendricks, age 89, will be held at Matthews & Son Funeral Home in Jennings, LA on Saturday, August 20, 2011 @ 10 AM with Father Jeff Starkovich officiating. Visitation will be held at the funeral home on Saturday morning from 8:30 AM until the time of his services. A graveside service will also be held Saturday at 2 PM in Greenoaks Cemetery located at 9595 Florida Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA where Tirie will be honored with full military rites. Tirie Thomas Hendricks peacefully departed this earthly life on August 16, 2011, in Jennings, Louisiana. Tirie was born on November 14, 1921 in Blanton, Alabama, the seventh son of Ethel Almada Eastridge Hendricks and James Moses Hendricks. Orphaned during the Great Depression, Tirie and his siblings formed deep bonds of love and respect for one another, which they maintained throughout their lives. He served his country honorably in the United States Army during WWII in the 139th Airborne Engineers Battalion in Ardennes Rhineland and in Central Europe. Tirie fought in the pivotal Battle of the Bulge, crossing the Rhine in a glider. The C-47's towing the gliders had the terrible misfortune of flying over a concentration of German antiaircraft weapons, and Tirie's glider was riddled with holes prior to landing, yet every man in his glider survived until landing. Tirie was awarded the European African Middle Eastern Service Medal with 3 Bronze Stars and the American Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Bar. Tirie enjoyed gardening, working outside, fishing, building things, and cooking. He enjoyed befriending

people and helping others where he perceived a need. Tirie was a devoted family man. After his military service, Tirie owned Hendricks Saw Filing Shop in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and later worked in insurance sales and branch office management. He leaves to cherish his memory a daughter, Teresa Hendricks Chambers and fianc,e Michael Sterling Keppler of Houston, and granddaughters, Jennifer Nicole Chambers and Julie Marie Chambers, also of Houston, Texas. Tirie is survived by his beloved brother, Bennett Hendricks of Madison, Alabama. He leaves behind a brother-in-law, sisters-in-law and nieces and nephews. Tirie is predeceased in death by his parents, Ethel Almada and James Moses Hendricks, and his beloved son Thomas Patrick Hendricks. He is predeceased by his wife Mary Ethel Vercher of Natchitoches, Louisiana and by his second wife Francis Wright Sessions Robertson of Kentwood, Louisiana. Brothers and a sister who predeceased Tirie are John Will, Luther Jackson, Marvin Lemuel, Mary Lou, Marshall Morgan, James Edward, Robert Leroy, and Fred. To extend online condolences, please visit our website at www.matthewsandsonfuneralhome.net Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews & Son Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Tirie Thomas Hendricks*

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ *I want you to know my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Drive safe and see you soon.*

*Love,
Susan*

Susan Tharp - August 19, 2011 at 08:24 PM



“ *I wanted ya'll to know how much Mr. Hendricks will be missed. I had the honor of being his nurse for awhile and from the minute I met him, I knew he was a very special person. I used to really enjoy our talks we would have. He will be greatly missed by all those that he touched. He added great joy to my life and I am a better person for having been able to spend time with him. My deepest sympathies go out to his family.*

*Sincerely:
Julie Guidry LPN
night shift*

Julie Guidry LPN - August 19, 2011 at 01:03 PM