



## Thomas B. Gaskins

February 24, 1921 - April 16, 2018

Thomas B Gaskins, age 97, born in Greensboro, NC February 24, 1921, joined the Lord on April 10, 2018. He graduated from Greensboro Senior High School in 1940 and attended Guilford College in 1946 and 1947. Tom was in the NC National Guard and was called to active duty from September 1940 to October 1945. He served in the coast artillery, anti- aircraft, aviation cadets, infantry, and combat engineers. He also served in the National Guard and Army Reserves for five years.

Thomas enjoyed 64 years of a very happily married life to his wife Isabel Gaskins, who passed away January 8, 2010.

Tom retired from General Motors Fisher Body as a senior plant layout engineer in Columbus, Ohio. After retirement, they lived for 11 years in Greensboro, NC, and 12 years in The Villages, FL. They moved to Lakeview Terrace Retirement Community in Altoona, FL in 2004.

He is survived by nephews, nieces and cousins Rick, Tim, Mike, and Mary Jo Gaskins in CA., Joan, Helen, and Francis Kennedy in NC., and Ralph Hahn in FL.

Tom and Isabel were members of the First Baptist Church in Columbus, OH and Greensboro, NC. They were also members of The Chapel of Christian Faith in The Villages, FL. Their many good friends from the associations have been sorely missed. Tom was raised to Master Mason January, 1950. He was a member of the Village Masonic Lodge No. 394 and Bahia Shrine of Orlando, FL. Tom was also a member of the VFW since the 1950's.

A memorial service will be held at Lakeview Terrace, Healthcare Building, Altoona on Thursday, April 26, 2018 at 10:30a.m. In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to VITAS Hospice, 127 N. Bay St., Suite 200, Eustis, FL 32726.