

## Erven Gene "Yank" Hummel

EASTLAND - Erven Gene "Yank" Hummel, 79, of Eastland, passed away Tuesday March 28, 2006 in Abilene. The family will receive friends at the Edwards Funeral Home in Eastland on Thursday from 6 until 8 p.m. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the First United Methodist Church with Donna DeLuca officiating. Burial will follow in the Alameda Cemetery, directed by Edwards Funeral Home.

Erven was born March 13, 1927 in Wood County, Ohio. He enjoyed sports and played on the Grange, Ohio basketball team when they won state. He graduated from Grand Rapids High School and served his country in the US. Navy. He married Ouida Dale Brown on December 2, 1949. They lived in Grand Rapids, Ohio until 1960 and then moved to Odessa, Texas where they lived until 1972. He was transferred to South Louisiana where they lived until 1984. They then lived for 2 years in Scotland and then returned to Houston, Texas where he retired from the oil field. In 1988, he and Ouida began to farm and raise cattle in Eastland County where they currently reside.

He was father to four loving children, Deborah Ann Hummel of Weatherford, Texas, Cathy Jean Bartholomew of Houston, Brian Neil Hummel of Snellville, Georgia, Curt Nolan Hummel of Houston, Texas; additionally, one loving son-in-law, Milton Bartholomew; and two loving daughters-in-law, Bridget Eileen and Julie Hummel. He was the grandfather to eight grandchildren plus four by marriage (Mason, Cody, Sarah, Kelly, Ryan, Shelby, Holly, Courtney, Kim, Amy, Mike and Mich (pronounced Mitch) and three great-grand-children (Tyler, Justin and Isabella). He is also survived by a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brown; an uncle and aunt, Mrs. and Mrs. Ralph Hummel; twelve nieces and nephews; plus in-laws and a host of great-nieces and nephews.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church of Eastland and the Friendship Sunday School Class. He was a member of the Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716, American Legion, Alva N. Sidle Post No. 232 in Grand Rapids for over 50 years. He received many awards over his life related to his employment in the oil field. He enjoyed playing golf, especially the old courses in Scotland. These are the facts by little of the flavor of the life of Erven Hummel.

"So I commend the enjoyment of life, because nothing' is better for a man under the sun than to eat and drink and be glad. Then joy will accompany him in his work all the days of the life God has given him under the sun" Ecclesiastes 8:15.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church in Eastland.