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Tom Foard Womack, 87, of Sikeston, Missouri, passed away of natural causes on July 2, 2013 in Sikeston, Missouri. He was born on August 17, 1925 in Hohenlinden, Mississippi to Byron Minter Womack and Hattie Wofford Womack, the youngest of four children. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Anna Elizabeth Womack (nee McKibben).

He attended Parma High School and graduated from Lilbourn High School in Lilbourn, Missouri in 1943. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1943 and served with the 2017th Ordinance Maintenance Company in the Pacific Theater of Operations with service on Biak Island and Okinawa. He was honorably discharged in March, 1946. His military decorations include the Army Good Conduct Medal, the Asia-Pacific Service Medal with one Bronze Star, and the World War II Victory Medal.

He was employed for 40 years by the U.S. Postal Service as a rural letter carrier. He retired in 1989 and was recognized for accumulating over 2,000 hours of unused sick time. In addition, he worked as a private electrical contractor for many years.

Prior to moving from Parma, Missouri to Sikeston, Missouri in 2007, Mister Womack was an active member of the Parma United Methodist Church where he served in many capacities including representative to district board, chairman of the local church board, Sunday school teacher, choir member and on numerous church committees. He was also one of a small group who participated in rebuilding the church following a fire in the late 1950s and for

many years he maintained the church and surrounding grounds.

Mr. Womack was an avid supporter of the Boy Scouts of America. He was a scoutmaster for 15 years and provided leadership for many boys, including a number who became Eagle Scouts. He led 15 Southeast Missouri Council expeditions to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico. In 1969 he was awarded the Silver Beaver Award by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America for "Distinguished Service to Boyhood" in the Southeast Missouri Council. He was also awarded the Southeast Missouri Council Order of Merit in 1968 for distinguished service to scouting. In 1988 he served as a commissioner for the Midwest region for the World Scout Jamboree at Fort Sam Eustis, Virginia.

In addition to his wife he is survived by two sons, Kenneth W. Womack (Alice) of Carlisle, Pennsylvania and Thomas H. Womack (Rebecca) of Sisters, Oregon; 10 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; and one sister, Opal Womack Bondurant of Olathe, Kansas.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Henry Harrison Womack, a sister, Joe Minter Womack, and a son, Jeffery G. Womack (Marva).

Visitation will be held at Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Parma, Missouri on Friday, July 5, 2013 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. A burial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. at the Missouri Veteran's Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri with full military honors.

The family has requested that memorial contributions be made to the Wesley United Methodist Church, 918 Hawthorn Drive, in Sikeston, Missouri, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Online register book is available at www.watkinsfuneralhome.com.

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