



Howard "Earl" Jones, Sr. 80, passed away Thursday, August 9, 2007 at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. He was the son of the late Emery W. & Juanita M. (Holliday) Jones. Earl was born in Keenseys Creek, West Virginia. He married Ida Mae Kestner on January 15, 1946 and she died April 21, 2004.

Survivors include a son Howard E. "Bubb" (Julia) Jones, Jr. of Decatur; 2 daughters Mrs. Leroy (Ninalee) Whitmer of Mooresville, NC, Olga "Lucy" Moore of Decatur; 10 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Preceded him in death are his parents, wife, a daughter, grandson, 3 brothers and 2 sisters.

Earl was a machinist for the Fort Wayne Newspapers before retiring in 1986. He was also a member of the American Legion Post 47 in Ft. Wayne. Earl served his country during World War II in the U.S. Army.

Visitation is from noon-4 pm Sunday, August 12, 2007 at Haggard & Sefton Funeral Home. Funeral services are at 2:00 pm Monday, August 13, 2007 at the funeral home. Rev. Whitney West will be officiating and burial is in Decatur Cemetery followed by graveside rites by the American Legion Color Guard post 43.

Memorials are to First Baptist Church.

Haggard & Sefton Funeral Home online obit (accessed 5/3/12)

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HOWARD E. "EARL" JONES SR., 80, of Decatur, died Thursday, Aug. 9, 2007. He was born on Sept. 10, 1926. He was a machinist for Fort Wayne Newspapers, retiring in 1986. Surviving are one son, Howard E. "Bubb" (Julia) Jones Jr. of Decatur; two daughters, Mrs. Leroy (Ninalee) Whitmer of Mooresville, N.C. and Olga "Lucy" Moore of Decatur; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife Ida Mae (Kestner) Jones on April 21, 2004. Funeral service is 2 p.m. Monday at Haggard & Sefton Funeral Home, 225 W. Adams St., Decatur. Visitation is from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. To sign our guestbook, click on [www.haggardandsefton.com](http://www.haggardandsefton.com)

