

BENJAMIN LEE FILLINGIM

Benjamin Lee Fillingim died Monday, April 17, 2000.

Born in Barrineau Park, March 7, 1915, he was a lifelong resident of Escambia County. He served in the U.S. Navy in World War II. For many years he owned and operated a Pure Oil Service Station at Pace and Cervantes; subsequently, he was a Realtor. He was a member of Gateway Church of Christ, Escambia Lodge 15, Scottish Rite Bodies and the Elks Club.

He was preceded in death by his father, David Fillingim; his mother, Ida Cobb Fillingim; and his wife, Inez Crews Fillingim.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and Steven Schang of Pensacola; grandsons, Matthew Bell of Pensacola, Benjamin Lee Bell, wife Lisa, and their children, Benjamin and Andrea, all of Pensacola and David Bell and wife, Carmen, of Chicago, Ill.; sisters, Davina Lukens and husband, Jake, of Richmond, Texas and Hilda Schmitz Eisenhart; brothers, Kimble and Paul Fillingim of Pensacola; nephews, Bill Schmitz of Pensacola, David Fillingim of Gulf Breeze, Robert Fillingim of Augusta, Ga., Bill Lukens of Phoenix, Ariz., George Lukens and Steve Lukens of Philadelphia, Penn.; nieces, Tamara Murphy of Pensacola, Brenda Snipes of Vernal, Utah and Judy Lukens of Houston, Texas.

Pallbearers will be grandsons, Matt, Lee and David Bell, nephew, Bill Schmitz; and grand-nephews, George Schmitz, Jr. and Donald Schmitz.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Friday, April 21, 2000 at Oak Lawn Funeral Home. Burial will be in St. John's Cemetery.