



**JASPER FRANKLIN
(J.F.) GIBSON**

Mr. Jasper Franklin (J. F.) Gibson, also known as "Jap", age 90 of Latexo, passed away Wednesday, March 14, 2007 in the Palestine Regional Medical Center. Mr. Gibson was born April 30, 1916 in Rockdale, Milam County, Texas to John Columbus Gibson and Nancy Jane Parker Gibson and was a 55 year resident of Coahoma until moving to Latexo on May 14, 2000.

Mr. Gibson was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Force and U.S. Army having served during World War II as Tank Commander, Boxing Trainer and Lieutenant. Mr. Gibson also served in the Civilian Conservation Corps receiving rank of First Sergeant. In 1939, he was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals minor league baseball team and played 3-4 years as a pitcher and also other positions.

Mr. Gibson was a lifetime member of the Coahoma Lodge #992 and a 50-year member of the Eastern Lodge where he received all honors. Mr. Gibson was President of the Coahoma Lions Club, a member of the Coahoma School Board, member of the

Coahoma Water Board, served as mayor pro-tem of Coahoma and he also received Man of the Year. Mr. Gibson was president of the International Union of Operating Engineers having worked for Brown and Root. Mr. Gibson attended the Methodist Church and will be remembered by his dapper dress and his fedora.

Survivors include his wife of 62 years, Mildred Gibson, of Latexo; daughter Carol Schaefer and husband Larry, of Palestine; son Johnny Gibson and wife Melba, of Elkhart; grandchildren Janna Hill and husband Matt, of Pennington, Michael Lee Hanson and wife Shalon and Mark Hanson, all of Big Spring, Hollie Gray and husband Shane, of Palestine and Heather Hopkins, of Lindale; great-grandchildren Riley Floyd, of Big Spring, Taylor Goeble, of Palestine, Trevor Yates, of Big Spring, Erin Hanson, of Poteet, Tylor Hanson, Jared Hanson, both of Big Spring, Coleton, Levi and Rebecca Gray, of Palestine, Kane Hopkins, of Lindale; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Preceded in death by his brothers John C. Gibson, Jr., Eugene Debs Gibson, George Rogers Gibson and William Howard Gibson; and sister Rosa Balch.

Graveside Funeral Services for Mr. Jasper Franklin (J. F.) Gibson were held Saturday, March 17, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in the Old Zion Cemetery with the Rev. Terry Gibson officiating.

Pallbearers were Mike Hanson, Mark Hanson, Riley Floyd, Matt Hill, Trevor Hanson and Tylor Hanson.

Honorary pallbearers were Jared Hanson, Coleton Gray, Levi Gray, Kane Hopkins and Shane Gray.

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