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### **GROVER "SHORTY" BEARD**

Grover "Shorty" Beard, age 76, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 8, 1998, at his home in Duncan, Okla.

Mr. Beard moved to Duncan after World War II, then moved to Carlsbad, N. M. until 1997, when he moved back to Duncan. He and his wife ran the Carlsbad Merchant Patrol for eight years before buying Shorty's Deep Rock Station. He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the U.S. Navy, participating in the Normandy Invasion aboard a wooden mine sweeper. He was discharged in 1946.

Mr. Beard was preceded in death by his parents, Henry B. and Emma (Beavers) Beard and his wife of 44 years, Genevieve Lorraine Barnett, whom he married on Christmas Eve, 1953.

Survivors include his son David Beard and wife Carol of Duncan, Okla.; brother Jimacie Beard of Springtown, and sisters Emma Pearl Elliott of Wichita Falls, and Erma Leah Morgan of Moore, Okla.

Graveside services for Mr. Beard were held at 2 p.m. Dec. 11 at Elmore City Cemetery, Elmore City, Okla. with the Rev. Danny Fudge officiating.

**Don Grantham Funeral Home**