

**DELBERT MILBURN  
"BID" GATES**

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Mr. Delbert Milburn "Bid" Gates, age 87 of Willis, passed away Saturday, Sept. 30 in the Conroe Regional Medical Center. Mr. Gates was born Jan. 9, 1913 in Kennard and had lived in Willis for the past five years. He was a steel worker and a member of the Westway Baptist Church in Huntsville, he was also a veteran of WWII serving in the U.S. Navy.

Survivors include his wife Ruby Mae Burson Gates of Willis, children Thelma and husband Roland Williams of Spring, Milburn Gates and wife Billie of Huntsville, Linda and husband Dr. W. A. DeLoache Sr. of Houston, Grandchildren Kirby Denton and husband Roland of Bridge City, Forrest "Skip" Matthieu Jr. of Willis, Stacy ~~Matthieu~~ and wife Josie of Willis, Lisa Branch of Huntsville, Wendy Gandy and ~~husband~~ Brian of Huntsville, Rodger Abernathy and fiancé Renee of Houston, John Abernathy and wife Candy of Palestine, Dr. Rhonda K. DeLoache of Houston, Renee Thornton and Fiancé Earnest of Houston, Dr. W. A. DeLoache Jr. and wife Grace of Spring, 21 great-grandchildren, sister Winnie Lee Matchett of Trinity, brother Benjamin Edgar Gates of Jacksonville, and numerous nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Funeral services for Mr. Gates were held Monday, Oct. 2 at 11 a.m. in the Callaway Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. John Goss and Rev. Linda DeLoache officiating. Interment followed in the Ivie Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the WWII Veteran's Memorial, Washington D.C.

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