



Cecil Thurman Smith

### **California Rites For Former Resident, Thurman Smith**

Cecil Thurman Smith, born in Grapeland on February 17, 1925, to Terrell and Sudie Rose Smith, passed away November 30, 2001, of natural causes at his home, 31090 Corte Anze, Temecula, California 92592.

Mr. Smith, a member of the Grapeland High School Class of 1943, was a retired vice president of ITT Financial Division in Southern California. He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the United States Navy in the Pacific Theatre. Thurman, noted for his dry wit, was a loving, kind, generous and dedicated son, father and brother who was dearly loved by family and friends.

His wife Betty predeceased him in 1993.

He is survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Dianne and John Hawkins; three sons, John and Dorothy Wickenhiser, Scott and Laura Smith and Larry Smith; eight grandchildren, Liz, Brooke, Jamie, Erica, Shyna, Morgan, J.P., and Jim; two great grandchildren, Lindsay and Kelsey; three sisters, Avis, Virginia and Nita.

Funeral services for Mr. Smith will be held Friday, December 7, 2001, in Fair Haven Memorial Mortuary Chapel, 1702 Fair Haven Ave., Santa Ana, California 92705; phone (714) 633-1442. Interment will follow in the Fair Haven Cemetery.

If desired, memorials may be given to Parker Cemetery Assn., c/o Wayne Collins, Rt. 1 Box 226, Grapeland, Texas 75844.