

Parker

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**Rites Held Here
For E. D. Williams**

Graveside services for Ernest D. Williams, age 87, of Dallas were held Wednesday morning, February 28, at Parker Cemetery with Rev. Craig Freeman officiating. Bailey & Foster, Palestine, in charge of the arrangements.

Pallbearers were James Strickland, Ronald Crippens, Christopher Rychlik, Kirk Crippens, Steven Hardi and Amy Hardi.

Mr. Williams died Sunday morning, February 25, 2001, at his residence in Dallas. He was born December 24, 1913, in Hamilton County to Ernest Edwin and Callie Oglesby Williams. Mr. Williams was self employed as a rose grower and hybridizer. He was a graphic arts specialist and a bola tie artist. A member of the Ferndale Baptist Church, he also was a member of the Dallas Rose Society and the Gem & Mineral Club of Arlington. Mr. Williams served in the U. S. Marine Corps.

Preceding him in death were his wife, Evaline Walling Williams in 1996, and his parents.

Survivors include his two daughters Cheryl Strickland of Dallas and Sara Crippens of Duncanville; a brother Lewis Williams of Lancaster; three grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.