



## Bill Herman Townsend

March 24, 1917 - September 8, 2010

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“Grandpaw” Bill Herman Townsend born March 24, 1917 in Sioux City, Iowa, passed from this life September 8, 2010 in Muskogee, OK at the age of 93. Bill enlisted in the Navy on September 17, 1934 and served until March 8, 1940. Bill served on several ships, the last being the USS Mindanao that patrolled the Yangtze River in Canton, China. Bill worked at the Santa Anita Race track in Arcadia, California for 25 years before retiring and moving to Tahlequah to be with family. Bill remained in the reserves and was a lifetime member of the DAV. He was very active with Veterans parades and activities. Preceded in death by his father John Townsend, mother Louella (Snyder) Townsend, ex-wife Dorothy Virginia (McGafferty) Townsend, Special Family members, Grandmother Roxie McCoy and Aunt Cubi Dodd.

Survived by his daughters Francina Lou Schulte of Fresno, CA, Carol Lee Trevier of Tahlequah, OK, and Diana M. Poeschel of Fresno, CA.

Grandchildren – LeeAnn Bailey of Tahlequah, OK, Randy and Amy Jamison of Tahlequah, OK, Susan Hooten of Eufaula, OK, John Bailey III of Kansas City, MO, Anita Ellis and husband Scott of Fresno, CA, and Todd Moore of Napa, CA.

Great-Great Grandchildren – Damon, Jazlynn and Arianna Ballou of Hulbert, OK, Katelyn Turney of Wagoner, OK, Aubrey Hooten of Muskogee, OK,

Jackson Ellis of Fresno, CA.

Our Family would like to thank his caregivers and wonderful staff on 4 West and 5 West at the VA Hospital for your caring compassion and concern during this time. Service will be 1:00 p.m. Monday, September 13, 2010 at Fort Gibson National Cemetery with full Military Honors provided by American Legion Post 56 of Haskell, OK.

Arrangements under the direction of Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 National Cemetery Rd.  
Fort Gibson, OK

# Previous Events

## Service

SEP **13**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Bill Herman Townsend*

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October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM