



## William T. "Red" Forster

June 12, 2020 - July 17, 2009

Will Thomas 'Red' Forster Sr. Mattoon-Will Thomas 'Red' Forster Sr., age 89, of Mattoon, passed away at 4:25 a.m., Friday, July 17th, 2009, at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center. Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home 1200 Wabash Avenue is in charge of arrangements. A funeral service in honor of his life will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday July 22, 2009 at First Christian Church with Dr. Mark Prevo and Reverend Robert Clark Officiating. Visitation will be held at the funeral home on Tuesday July 21, 2009 from 5:00-7:00. Interment will be in Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Mattoon Illinois. Mr. Forster was born June 12, 1920, in Shirkieville, Indiana, the son of Frank and Ola (Violet) Forster. He married Dorothy M. Abel Forster in Norfolk, Virginia on June 12, 1945. He is survived by his loving wife Dorothy; Three sons- Tom Forster and wife Elena of Rochester, Illinois; Michael Forster and wife Carla of Windsor, Illinois; Ed Forster of Danville, Illinois; Seven Grandchildren and Two Great-Grandchildren. He was a member of the First Christian Church of Mattoon, where he was chairman of the deacons for 30 years, Mattoon Masonic Lodge #260 and the Mattoon American Legion Post 88. Will was part of the morning crew at the Mattoon Community Food Center and made 72 trips to the Eastern Illinois Food Bank in Champaign to transport supplies for the local facility. Will loved his animals and enjoyed working on the farm. He was employed with the United States Postal Service as a mail carrier for over 36 years. He cherished time spent with his wife, children and grandchildren. Memorials in his honor may be made to the donor's choice. Please visit

[www.mitchell-jerdan.com](http://www.mitchell-jerdan.com) to light a virtual candle in Will's honor or to share a memory with his family.\r\n

# Tribute Wall



“ *William T. "Red" Forster*

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“ *To Tom & family:\r\n\r\n Just now heard about your dad (Tues the 21st). So sorry, Sallie & I are thinking about you. We will pray for you up here. God bless you, my friend.\r\n\r\n From John Boberg*

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**Dr. John M. Boberg (& Sallie too)** - July 21, 2009 at 04:25 PM