



Joe Ennis McDowell

December 11, 1928 - January 4, 2013

Joe Ennis McDowell, 84, of Brady, Texas, passed away Friday, January 4, 2013, in San Angelo. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Monday, January 7, 2013, at Heritage Funeral Home Chapel in Brady with interment at Cowboy Cemetery.

Joe was born on December 11, 1928, in Menard, Texas to Ennis Layfette "Ruff" McDowell and Excil Arlene Gladys (Bailey) McDowell. He married Thelma Farris on October 31, 1949 in Brady. Joe had lived in McCulloch County for 18 years, having moved here from Pecos in 1994. He was a member of the Sunset Ridge Church of Christ.

Joe grew up on the Wilkinson Ranch in Menard and was an accomplished marksman and horseman and could rope turkeys as they began to fly. He loved to hunt and fish. He became a butcher at the local grocery store and eventually became the President of the Menard National Bank, working his way up from bookkeeping. He retired from Security State Bank of Pecos in December 1994. He was a past Rotary Club member and was at one time Mayor Pro-Tem of Menard.

Joe was preceded in death by; his parents; one brother and four sisters. Survivors include: wife, Thelma McDowell of Brady; one daughter; Suzann Fish, and husband James, of Boerne; one son; Jeffrey McDowell, and wife Cathy, of San Angelo; four grandchildren; Mendi Woodward; Joseph Woodward; Russell McDowell, and wife Bette; and Rachel McDowell; one great-grandson; Kohl Wilson; one sister; Artie B. DeLong, and husband

James, of San Angelo; and numerous nieces and nephews.