

## **ROBERT JENKINS KIRTLEY**

Robert Jenkins Kirtley, 91, of Bowling Green died at 5:26 a.m., Monday, June 20, 2011 at Greenview Regional Hospital.

The Bowling Green native owned and operated a successful furniture store for many years. He attended Bowling Green Business University, then he was drafted and honorably served his country for four years in the Army during the European campaign in World War II. He volunteered for an unnamed mission which turned out to be a military intelligence unit attached to the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Unit. When he was discharged from the Army he returned to Bowling Green and joined his brother in the furniture business. He enjoyed fishing, golf, gardening, and traveling the world with his wife of 65 years, Judy Cassidy Kirtley, who survives. He was a charter member of Eastwood Baptist Church and served as its treasurer for 22 years, taught Sunday School, was a deacon, served on many committees, and was named Deacon Emeritus in 2006. He was the son of the late Edwin Kirtley and Edna Jenkins Kirtley. He was preceded in death by a brother, Samuel H. Kirtley and a sister, Edwina Kirtley Dennis.

Memorial service will be at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, June 25, 2011 at Eastwood Baptist Church. Visitation will be from 1:00-2:00 p.m. Saturday, at the church.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to Eastwood Baptist Church Building Committee, 500 Eastwood Street, Bowling Green, KY 42103.

Survivors include his wife, Judy Cassidy Kirtley, a dughter, Roberta Kirtley Johnston and her husband, Rick of Rossville, TN; three sons, Mason Kirtley and his wife, Shannon of Scottsivlle, Frank Kirtley and his wife, Jeanne of Bowling Green and Paul Kirtley and his wife, Brenda of Marietta, GA; twelve grandchildren; three step grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and a brother, Hubert Mason Kirtley and his wife, Virginia of Alexandria, VA.

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