



Leo Truman Whitscell

February 27, 1925 - September 4, 2004

Leo T. Whitscell was born February 27, 1925 in Big Rapids, MI. Mr. Whitscell was born to Mose and Nora Whitscell, the youngest of 4 children, including Bertha, Doris, Cleo. Mr. Whitscell was a veteran of the US Army, retiring after 23 years of service. He was with the 517th Parachute Regimental Combat Team, also known as the Battling Buzzards. His expression, "I jumped into France and walked into Italy" He also served in Korea and Vietnam, retiring in 1967. He received 2 Purple Hearts from WWII. He worked several years later as a carpenter, before fully retiring. At his request, his body will be cremated and his remains placed at the DFW National Cemetery in Dallas. Survivors: wife; Helen McRae Whitscell, daughter; Paula Mize and her husband Todd of Mansfield, son; Claude Edward Whitscell of Arlington, grandchild; Nikki Garriott of Everett, WA., sister; Doris Weers of Marshall, MI.