



## Joe Pittman Thomas

December 28, 1937 - October 4, 2013

THOMAS Oxford - Mr. Joe Pittman Thomas, of Oxford, graciously went to meet our heavenly father on October 4, 2013. Born to William Jerome Thomas and Juanita Pittman Thomas on December 28, 1937 in Lancaster, S.C.. He was known as "Little Joe" even though he grew to almost 6'2". He had one brother, William F. Thomas, who had served in the Marine Corps. After graduating High School in Waco, Texas and a couple years at Baylor, "Little Joe" joined the Army as a Military Policeman and served in Japan where he met his late wife Hisako K Thomas. They were married for 46 years. Joe Thomas retired from the Army after 21 years achieving the rank of 1st SGT, including a tour in Vietnam where he was awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star with V-Device (for valor) and Air Medal. Joe enjoyed fishing (although he had a hard time catching them), bowling (averaging in the 180s) and golf (12 handicap). His favorite activity was being around his grandchildren and his dogs. Joe also worked at Big B (Assistant Manager), Fort McClellan Credit Union, and Cooper Chevrolet. Little Joe is survived by his two sons, Jerome E. Thomas (retired from the military) and Steve F. Thomas (retired from Anniston Police Department). Joe Thomas is also survived by his five grandchildren, Katheryn, Kaeman, Kamlyn, Jack, and Abby. Services will be held for close family and friends. Please do not provide any flowers, plants, etc. Donations in memory of Joe Thomas made to the Golden Springs Baptist Church Youth Department is what "Little Joe" preferred. Miller Funeral Home