

EMERY W. PARKISON

JOPLIN — Services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, at Forest Park Baptist Church for Emery W. Parkison, 86, Joplin, who died at 6:38 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, 2003, at a local hospital. Dr. John Swadley and Pastor Russell Ball will officiate. Burial will follow in Iantha Cemetery, Iantha.

Visitation will be held from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, at Parker Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Forest Park Baptist Church Building Fund.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Parkison; two sons, Richard Parkison, California City, Calif., and Lyle Parkison, Springfield; two daughters, Dee Ann Arntz and Terri Dyer, both of Springfield; a stepson, Carl Raines, Wichita, Kan.; 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Parkison was born Aug. 15, 1917, in Nashville, Mo., to Sam and Evaline (Jones) Parkison. He moved from Oakton to Joplin in 1948. He was a driver for Tastemark, Foremost and Highland Milk Companies for several years before retiring in 1982. After his retirement, he worked as an independent carpenter. He was a member of Forest Park Baptist Church.

He married Maxine Arner in 1940. She died June 26, 1968. He married Dorothy Hicks on Sept. 26, 1991, in Joplin.