

Don Mason Bird

March 22, 1918 – October 23, 1976

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NIMITZ (RNS) — Services for Don M. Bird, 58, will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at Ronald Meadows Funeral Parlors in Hinton with Dr. Byron Bangert in charge. Burial in High Lawn Memorial Park in Oak Hill.

He was found dead in the woods near Nimitz Sunday. Police said Bird died while on a hunting trip of an apparent heart attack sometime Saturday night.

Born March 22, 1918, in Nicholas County, he was a son of N. A. and Susie Ramsey Bird of Hinton.

He had lived in Nimitz 45 years, was graduated from Hinton High School in 1936, attended West Virginia University and received a bachelor of arts degree from Concord College and his master's degree from Marshall University.

Bird had taught school in Summers County 19 years, was a math teacher at Hinton High School, formerly taught at Talcott High School and had been principal at Sandstone High School.

He served in World War II with the Army from 1940 to 1946 in the Pacific Theatre and was discharged as a first lieutenant in 1945. He was a member of the Baptist Church in Athens.

Other survivors include his wife, Lucille; two sons, Wesley of Newport News, Va., and James R., stationed with the Navy in San Diego, Calif.; five daughters, Mrs. Nick (Carol) May of Indianapolis Ind., Mrs. Danny (Donna) Meador of Bozoo, Mrs. Gary (JoAnn) Cales of Hillsdale, Mrs. Tim (Martha) Connor of Nimitz and Miss Nancy Bird, at home; one sister, Mrs. Howard (Margaret) Woodrum of Nimitz, and four grandchildren.

Friends may call 5 to 9 p.m. Monday.