



## Mr. Manuel A. Baker

June 10, 1919 - September 14, 2013

Baker, Manuel A., died September 14, 2013 in Oviedo, Florida. Born June 10, 1919 in Muskegon, Michigan he served in the 3rd Armored Division of the U.S. First Army during World War II in Germany where he earned a bronze star at the Battle of the Bulge. He was active in the 3rd Armored Division Association, eventually becoming its President. He ended his business career as General Manager of Fontaine Truck Equipment in Louisville, Kentucky. Retirement allowed him time to further his wood working skills and take up genealogy, where he discovered his ancestors first came to North America in 1725, and his wife's ancestors in 1625.

To a friend's description of him as "a true gentleman, a good friend and a great man" can be added a loving husband and father. He is survived by his wife of 67 years Juanita Kelsey Baker, brother Clarence, son Gregg and granddaughter Kathryn.

Arrangements are entrusted to DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory, 9001 N. Orlando Avenue, Maitland, Florida 32751. (407) 695-CARE(2273).