

Thad Ellis, of Murphy, died Tuesday, April 25, in a Murphy hospital.

A native of Clay County, he had lived in Cherokee County most of his life. He was a son of the late Jim M. and Docia Anderson Ellis. He was an Army veteran of World War II, serving in Japan as an M.P. He had work-

ed at Ivie Funeral Home for 37 years. He was a member of Murphy First Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Blanche Laney Ellis; a son, Larry Ellis of Marietta, Ga.; three sisters, Leona

Enloe of Murphy, Lizzie Gibson of Hiwassee, Ga., and Ada Maney of Franklin; and three brothers, Lawrence Ellis of Hayesville, Richard and Clarence Ellis of Holly Springs, Ga.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Friday in the chapel of Ivie Funeral Home, Murphy. Rev. Aud Brown and Rev. Steve Armstrong officiated. Burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Murphy Public Library, 101 Blumenthal St., Murphy, or the American Heart Fund, 1 Heart Circle, Chapel Hill, N.C. 27514.