

Remember Them Forever

Name: Gilbert Turner Faught

Birth: 01 Feb 1924
Justin, Denton County, Texas

Death: 23 Apr 1952
Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas

Cemetery: Prairie Mound Cemetery
Cemetery Location: 1006 4th Street
Argyle, TX 76226
Section: East, Block G
Plot GPS: 33° 06' 32" N, 97° 13' 34" W

Military: Enlisted in the United States Navy in November 1942 as an electrician; assigned to the USS *Clay* (APA-39) an amphibious attack transport in the Pacific Theater. He and his fellow crew members faced heavy aerial attacks, hazardous navigation, and constant danger while landing assault troops on enemy-held beaches. Among the ship's most significant operations were the landings and evacuation of wounded troops during the Battle of Saipan on D-Day and the Battle of Okinawa. Gilbert served aboard the *Clay* until his honorable discharge in November 1945.

Civilian: Gilbert completed the eighth grade before leaving school to work on his grandparents' farm. An active member of 4-H and the Future Farmers of America, where he won numerous prizes for his exhibits at the Dallas and Denton fairs.
Before enlisting in the Navy, he traveled throughout the Midwest, as far north as the Dakotas, working with wheat threshing crews.
Following his naval service, worked as an electrician until his tragic death in 1952, when he was fatally electrocuted while repairing an electrical power circuit at a grain elevator.

Family: Gilbert married Dorothy Martin in 1945, and together they had a son, Bobby.
(Bobby was just four years old when Gilbert died in 1952.)

Sources: Texas, U.S., Birth Index, 1903-1997; Find A Grave Memorial ID 22333984; US, World War II Navy Muster Rolls, 1938-1949; Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Fri, Apr 25, 1952, Page 21; Texas, U.S., Select County Marriage Records, 1837-1965

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