

# Obituary: Doyle Lawless Sr.

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**Doyle Lawless Sr., 92, Aug. 20 in Waco.** In 1939, he served in the Civilian Conservation Corps, and in 1940, he was with the U.S. Army in France three days after D-Day, serving there until Christmas. After the war, he moved to Irving and began teaching a boys' Sunday school class. Doyle Lawless Sr. That experience led to his calling to preach. He sold his home and moved to Waco to attend Baylor University, and later graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He was pastor of Billington Baptist Church in Billington and three Oklahoma churches prior to becoming pastor of Grace Temple Baptist Church in Waco, where he served 23 years prior to his retirement in 1987. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lona; sisters, Lois Duniho and Sybill Dummer; and brother, Wayne. He is survived by his wife, Mattie; sons, Doyle Jr. and James; brother, A.A. Jr.; stepsons, Ed, Eric and Jeff Clymer; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.