



Harriett Allen

November 28, 1921 - April 16, 2009

Memorial services for Earl Edwin Allen age 88, and Harriet Jane Allen, age 87 of Tyler will be held on Sunday, April 26, 2009 at 2:00 PM at University Christian Church with Rev. Ronald Byrd officiating. Services are under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. A memorial service will also be held at Second Church of Christ in Danville, IL on April 26, 2009 at 2:00 pm Illinois time (3:00pm) Indiana time. Mr. and Mrs. Allen passed away Thursday, April 16, 2009 at their residence in Tyler. Mr. Allen was raised in Perrysville, Indiana where he graduated high school. He was a flight instructor for the Army Air Corp during WWII. He was a 747 Captain and Chief Pilot for American Airlines retiring at the age of 60 in 1980. He lived most of his life in Ft. Worth until moving to Tyler in 1991. Mr. Allen enjoyed gardening, neighborhood projects and traveling. His constant companion and very best friend was his beloved wife Harriet. Mrs. Allen grew up in Fountain County, Indiana and graduated from Attica High School. She then graduated from Lakeview Nurses Training as a registered nurse, dedicating over forty years of her career to the needs of others and their families. More importantly, she was a very loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend who always put their needs above hers. She married in March 1989 and moved from Williamsport, IN to Hurst, TX. She enjoyed traveling and spending time with her family and friends. Together with her beloved husband, they built their retirement home in Tyler. They were members of University Christian Church in Tyler. Mrs. Allen was preceded in death by her parents, Daniel and Vera Foster; her brothers,

Max Foster, Roy Newman Foster and Robert D. Foster and husband Robert L. Ford; Mr. Allen was preceded in death by his parents, Earl M. and Loraine Allen; his brothers, Robert and James Allen and wife Patty Dunton Allen. They are survived by their loving family including; children, Robert Dean Ford and wife Nancy of Greenhill, IN, Dennis J. Ford and wife Connie of LaPorte, IN, Penny Jane Ford Smith and husband Thomas of Covington, IN, Sheryl Allen Ford of Oregon, and Kathy Allen Johnson and husband Gary of Hurst; grandchildren; Brian Ford, Brad Ford, Scott Ford, Todd Ford, Matt Smith, Cara Smith, Erin Smith, LCDR Allen Ford of Patuxent NAS, Jarrett Ford and Jonathan Ford of California, Brandy Hudson and husband Andrew of Krum, Gregory Johnson and wife Monica of Hurst; 14 great grandchildren together; her sisters Nancy Allen and husband Jim and Martha Meyer and husband Virgil; and brother Wayne Foster and wife Janet; and his sister Mary Rector and husband Robert of Georgetown, Ill.

Memorials in honor of Earl Edwin Allen and Harriet Jane Allen may be made to the American Heart Association, National Center, 7272 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, Texas, 75231 or the American Diabetes Association, ATTN: National Call Center, 1701 North Beauregard Street, Alexandria, VA 22311. For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Bob and family. I was sorry to read of your parents passing. Please know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Cindy Wiggs
Jason Arnold*

Cindy Martin - Wiggs - April 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ *Dear Penny, Denny and Connie,
Harriet was a lovely lady-special nurse-and a friend. No matter what we may lose in life, Jesus' assurance of His abiding presence now and His promise of an eternal home with Him in heaven can become our unshakable fortress of hope and peace in times of trouble. Harriet was a lovely lady and good friend. My sympathy to you, Penny, Robert and Dennis.*

Charlotte Neininger - April 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ HARRIET WAS MY HEAD NURSE WHEN I STARTED IN ICU @ DANVILLE VA HOSPITAL IN 1979. SHE WAS VERY KNOWLEDGABLE & TAUGHT ME SO MUCH ABOUT INTENSIVE CARE & ESPECIALLY CRITICAL CARDIAC CARE. THE THINGS I LEARNED & THE INSPIRATION I GOT FROM HER HAVE SERVED ME WELL IN MY 30 YEARS OF WORKING IN THE SAME ICU WHERE WE FIRST MET. I HAVEN'T SEEN HER IN YEARS BUT I THINK OF HER OFTEN & COMPARE EVERY HEAD NURSE SINCE TO HER (NONE HAVE EVEN COME CLOSE TO MEASURING UP TO HARRIET). SHE WAS KIND-HEARTED, PATIENT, & GIVING & HELD A HIGH STANDARD OF NURSING CARE. SHE ALWAYS LIKED A GOOD LAUGH & WAS A FRIEND TO ALL WHO KNEW HER. HARRIET WAS A WARM & SENSITIVE PERSON & A CREDIT TO HER PROFESSION. THIS WORLD IS MUCH THR POORER FOR HER PASSING. MY CONDOLENCES TO HER CHILDREN (ABOUT WHOM I'VE HEARD MANY STORIES, ESP PENNY) AND GRANDCHILDREN. I KNOW SHE WILL BE MUCH MISSED. I KNOW SHE LOVED HER FAMILY VERY MUCH.

ANNE FALCONER - April 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Bob, Denny, and Penny*

Sending my deepest regrets about the loss of your mom, it had been so many years since I had seen her, but yet Penny you look just like her, she was a wonderful person.

I was just thinking back on the good and mischievous times we had together as kids growing up, where does the time go? Just wanted to let you know I was thinking about you.

Sincerely,

Gary

Gary Gayler - April 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *Harriett was the sweetest lady and my life has been blessed just by knowing her. I am so sad that I will not get to see her and visit with her again but I know she is happy and healthy now! My thoughts and prayers go out to her family, I know they will miss her so much! I loved her and miss her already!* ”

Lori Winchester - April 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM