



John "Jack" David Gallacher

March 21, 1922 - May 1, 2015

John David Gallacher (Jack) went to be with his Lord on May 1, 2015. He was 93. Memorial services will be held on May 12, 2015, at 11:00 AM at Emerald Bay Community Church under the direction of Reverend Dr. Darryle Dunks and reception following at Emerald Bay Country Club.

Jack was born March 21, 1922 to David and Margaret Lawton Gallacher in Tacoma, Washington. He was a graduate of Stadium High School and the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma and was a member of the Society of Exploration Geophysicists, American Association of Petroleum Geologists, Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Alberta and a Registered Professional Geophysicist in Canada.

Jack and his family traveled extensively in the U.S. and Canada following the oil boom. His career in the oil business was his greatest passion, never retiring until his death. From childhood he was an avid fisherman and as an adult he spent many a day fishing in Puget Sound and traveled to Alaska numerous times in his quest to capture the elusive salmon.

He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Catherine Luzzi Gallacher; three children, J. David Gallacher (Cate), Dan J. Gallacher (Marsha), and Jacklyn K. Berreth (Tim); four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He is also survived by a sister, Alice Norden.

We will miss his chuckle and smile as he talked and the never ending optimism that defined his entire life. Never give up and always reach for the next dream.

Many thanks to the nurses at Trinity Mother Frances Hospital and Hospice of East Texas, Tyler. Your loving care was such a comfort to us all.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to the Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75701 or a charity of your choosing.

Previous Events

Mem. Service

MAY 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

Emerald Bay Community Church
160 La Salle Rd
Bullard, TX 75757

Reception following service

MAY 12 (CT)

Emerald Bay Country Club
Bullard, TX

Tribute Wall

BD

“ *What a blessing and privilege it is to have our paths cross with Jack. Our work together and friendship over several years is treasured. We were also blessed to meet and visit with Cathie and Anne in our office. We will indeed miss Jack. Thank you so very much for wonderful memories. From DMT Technologies: Dan, Betty, and Bob*

Betty Dobson - May 15, 2015 at 09:31 AM

RN

“ *Jack was the main reason I am in Texas today. In the early 70's in Calgary Jack told me he was going to Tyler Texas and would give me First chance a every Seismic line he wanted in his prospects for Oil and Gas. Negotiating from Calgary with US Data Brokers for seismic in Jack's areas of interest brought me to a managing job in Houston in 1975.*

I had a great Time working for Jack and Fred Howe gathering seismic for them. They both helped me get a Spec Seismic Shoot going by telling me where to place the lines.

Jack's word was still in force until he retired a few years ago, He stil gave me areas he needed siesmic in. He was a remarkable man, always friendly towards me and my wife Maureen. I will certainly miss him and my trips to Tyler will now have a great void.

Ron and Maureen Nickle

Ron Nickle - May 11, 2015 at 09:48 AM

AB

“ Thanks for being such a great friend. We will treasure those memories of visiting you in Gig Harbour. Sitting on that wonderful deck with you. We loved our trip with you two to Victoria. We loved having our special occasion dinners together. You and Cathie have been like family to us and you miss be missed.

Al and Tina Byrnes - May 09, 2015 at 06:09 PM

AO

“ Anne and Shaun Owen. purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of John "Jack" David Gallacher.



Anne and Shaun Owen. - May 09, 2015 at 03:24 PM



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May 08, 2015 at 07:50 PM

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“ **JACK GALLACHER.**

Jack Gallacher was my boss for the past 13 years. He was a brilliant, kind, generous gentleman. He treated everyone with the upper most respect and appreciated everything that was done for him. His passion was his work as a Geophysicist. It was a great pleasure to watch and learn as he interpreted seismic lines, the various tools he used, contour maps and discuss his interpretation with his colleagues, whether it was up a rig or in the Boardroom. Due to hard work and knowledge of the oil business, he earned great respect and admiration from his colleagues. He was still studying maps in his hospital bed. His perpetual optimism was contagious. What an honour it was to work for him. He shall be sadly missed.

*Anne Owen,
J.D. Gallacher's Personal Assistant.*

Anne Owen - May 08, 2015 at 02:52 AM

RM

“ *What a truly great man. Jack, thanks for everything, we're all going to miss you so much*

Robert Mecionis - May 07, 2015 at 12:30 PM

JC

“ *So sad to hear of Jack's passing. His and Cathie's generosity changed the lives of many special needs children in our area. Jack was a wonderful man and a delight to talk with. So glad I had the chance to meet him. Blessings and my sympathies to his family.*

Julie Cislo - May 05, 2015 at 10:11 PM

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“ Jack was a great friend, excellent geophysicist and "oil & gas finder" extraordinaire. He was in active pursuit of the Hydro Carbon molecule right up to hours before the end. He will be greatly missed by generations of his friends in the industry that spanned over seven decades. We will all miss you Jack! -Chris Reed

Chris Reed - May 05, 2015 at 12:27 PM