



Karl Ries

May 1, 1935 - January 8, 2009

A memorial service for Karl Ries, 73, of Tyler will be held on Saturday, January 10, 2009 at 10:00 AM in the chapel of Stewart Family Funeral Home with Father Dan Daugherty officiating. Mr. Ries passed away on January 8, 2009 at Hospice of East Texas in Tyler. He was born on May 1, 1935 in Germany to the late Karl and Maria Ries. He was raised in Germany, moving to Canada in 1958 and then to America in 1961. Mr. Ries was a self-employed automobile mechanic in San Diego, CA and Virginia. In 1987, he moved to Tyler and became a freelance writer. He has since published a book and written for several newspapers. Mr. Ries enjoyed fishing, square dancing, and German folk dancing. He also was a pilot, had his own sea plane and loved to travel. Mr. Ries is survived by a loving family including his wife of 53 years, Gisela Ries of Tyler; four sons, Thomas Ries and wife Karen of Tampa, FL, Andy Quaye and wife Wilma of Canada, Jim Ries and wife Lauren of Atlanta, GA, and John Ries; a daughter, Irene Ries of Atlanta, GA; and seven grandchildren, Collin, Phillip, Trevor, Lisa, Alexander, Carter, and Olivia. Memorials in honor of Karl Ries may be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75701 or Prince of Peace Catholic Church, Troup Highway, Whitehouse, TX 75791.