



Roger Boivin

May 5, 1920 - December 24, 2004

Services for Roger C. Boivin, 84, Tyler, are scheduled for 2:00 P.M., Thursday, Dec. 30, 2004, at Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel, 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy., Tyler with Rev. Darryle Dunks officiating. Mr. Boivin was born on May 5, 1920 in Coaticook, Quebec, Canada and died Friday, Dec. 24, 2004 at a Tyler hospital. Mr. Boivin, being a resident of Tyler for 34 years, retired from General Electric. He was an appointed Kentucky Colonel. He received his pilot's license in 1967 and volunteered with Tyler Civil Air Patrol. He was awarded the highest civilian Medal of Honor from his actions taken during a rescue operation. He was an avid golfer and member of the "Hole-In-One" Club. Mr. Boivin and his wife of 59 years, Ruth Freeze Boivin, were married at St. Edward's Chapel in Jacksonville, Florida while both served in the United States Navy. The couple have three daughters, Lara Vories of Alexandria, Kentucky, Cathy Nigh of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Michel Boivin of Tyler, Texas, seven grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Honorary Pallbearers are Prince Albert, Robbie McElmurry, Tony Carter, Lester Sulser, Phillip Noa and Stanley Krupicki. Visitation will be held at 1:00 P.M. Thursday before the service at the Stewart Family Funeral Home.

So that children with cancer may have a better chance to live, memorials may be made in honor of Roger Boivin's life to St. Jude Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105.

Tribute Wall

LL

“ I want all of you to know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I work with Cathy at The Greens Country Club, and she is a very dear friend to me. Keep all of your fond memories of your dear father and husband in your hearts. These memories can never be taken from you, and will sustain you in the years to come. Much love and prayers.

Lu Lamson - December 24, 2004 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Cathy, my heart goes out to you. May you take comfort in knowing you have done all that you and your family could do to make your fathers last days as comfortable as possible. Thank God he is not suffering anymore. You are in my thought and prayers, as is the rest of your family.
With much love and sympathy,
Barbara

Barbara Cummins - December 24, 2004 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May you find peace knowing that your loved one is in a better place.

Leslie Organ - December 24, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Cathy, our thoughts and prayers are of you and your family in your time of grief. We love you and are here for you.

Jennifer Priddy - December 24, 2004 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ Dear Ruth, Cathy, Lara and Michel:
Glenda and I are deeply saddened at the loss of Roger. I will always remember his bright smile and his piercing resonant voice. We know from experience your grief is especially hard at this time of the year. We pray that God wraps His arms around you and comforts you in these days. We will honor Roger's memory with a gift to St. Jude Hospital. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Bob Nigh - December 24, 2004 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Cathy and family,

You are in my heartfelt prayers daily. May God hold each of you in his loving arms and provide you with beautiful memories.

Donita

Donita Brown-Kuykendall - December 24, 2004 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ Ruth, Lara, Cathy, and Michel

May your memories of Roger be a comfort to you. There will always be a special place in the heart, for the "Canadian Yankee"

Cliff Nigh - December 24, 2004 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ Very sorry to hear of my Uncle’s passing. He was a great guy, and will be missed. I’ll remember him most for his hospitality when we visited in Oklahoma City. We watched the first moon landing with a group of people in the Television Department at the mall. Then, stayed up late to watch Neil Armstrong’s moon walk. A very memorable time in my life. I’m glad my Uncle Roger was a part of that. God Bless Aunt Ruben, Cathy, Laura and Michele as they deal with his passing.

Michael K. Valerio - December 24, 2004 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ Roger never met a stranger, and I have so many fond memories of my growing up years and his happy go lucky way. I always said he was a second William Holden who could really dance. He was always active and a good husband to my sister Rubin, and father to his three girls. He was proud of being a grandpa too! WOW!!!!!!!!!!what a great life that he and Rubin had together. I will miss not hearing his voice when I call on the telephone. I am a believer that I will see you again. Love ya, Mitzi

Mitzi Valerio - December 24, 2004 at 12:00 AM