



Samuel Mardock

November 9, 1915 - October 30, 2006

Services for Samuel Mardock, Jr., 90 of Tyler, will be held on Saturday, November 4, 2006 at 10:00 AM at Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jeffrey Olive officiating. Burial will follow in the Rose Hill Cemetery in Tyler, TX under direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mr. Mardock passed on Monday, October 30, 2006 at the Briarcliff Health Center in Tyler. He was born November 9, 1915 in Tyler, Texas to Sam Mardock Sr. and Wong Shee Mardock. He was a member of Marvin United Methodist Church and graduate of Tyler High School, class of 1934 and from there went on to become one of the first Chinese-Americans to train as pilots in the Army Air Corps. This military journey started with Sam applying for the Aviation Cadet program shortly after his brother Julian did in Dallas, Texas. After attending flight training school in Tulsa, Oklahoma Sam was stationed in San Antonio and later Kelly AFB. Sam was very proud to serve his country as an official American Aviation Corp Pilot for the United States of America. The Mardock Family was the first Chinese Family to settle in Tyler in the late 1800's. The Cotton Belt Restaurant was opened by his father Sam Mardock, Sr. in 1890. Sam Jr. and his wife Lily later opened and operated Mardock Imports and managed property throughout Tyler for over 40 years. Mr. Mardock was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Lily T. Mardock, both parents and sister, Lucille Mardock. Sam is survived by his loving family including daughters, Camellia Lee of Seattle, WA and Carole Chan of Alameda, CA, brother, Julian Mardock of Dallas, TX; grandchildren, Donna Welch and

husband Dean of Seattle, WA, Michelle Lee and husband Steve of Seattle, WA, Christina Yaden and husband Chris of Seattle, WA; great grand-children, Isabella Yaden, Lindsey Pool, Marissa Pool all of Seattle, WA; and several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends prior to the service from 9:00 - 10:00 AM, Saturday, November 4, 2006, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy., Tyler, Texas 75703. Memorials in honor of Sam Mardock, Jr. may be made to Heart to Heart Hospice, 401 E. Front Street, Tyler, TX 75702; Alzheimers Alliance of NE Texas; 3613 S. Broadway Ave, Tyler, TX 75703. For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com.

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“ *Love and sympathy,
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