



Shannon Darland

February 8, 1923 - September 10, 2011

Graveside services for Shannon J. Darland, 88, of Mineola will be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at 1:00 PM at Rose Lawn Cemetery in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mr. Darland passed away on September 10, 2011 in Shreveport, Louisiana. He was born on February 8, 1923 in Electra to Shannon W. and Nora Taylor Darland. He was a graduate of Burkburnett High School. Mr. Darland joined the United States Navy, where he served on the USS Subchaser 676 in the European and Pacific Theaters during World War II. He worked as an institutional sales representative for the Carnation Company for over 25 years. Mr. and Mrs. Darland owned and operated the East Texas Coffee Service of Tyler for 13 years before retiring to his home in Mineola. He was an avid sports fan and enjoyed watching sports, especially during his retirement years. In addition to his parents, Mr. Darland was preceded in death by his wife, Ethel Frances Darland and his three sisters. He is survived by a loving family including his daughter, Sheila Darland of Tyler; his son, Phil Darland of McKinney; grandchildren, Shannon Darland, Jr. and Christopher Lee Darland; and one great-granddaughter, Kara Ann Darland, all of Willis.

Pallbearers will be Buster Boren, Jimmy Boren, Pat Whitaker, Larry Wilkins, Larry Vaughn, and Tony Heaton. Visitation is scheduled for Monday, September 12, 2011 from 5:00-7:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler. Memorials in honor of Shannon Darland may be made to the Salvation Army, 633 North

Broadway, Tyler, TX 75712 or the East Texas Food Bank, 3201 Robertson Road, Tyler, Texas 75711.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Shannon Darland*

Melinda Smith Toulmin - September 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *To Sheila, Phil, Shannon, and Chris,
Praise God for 88 good years and a family that loved him very
much. I know you will miss him. Our sincere sympathy in the loss of
your father and grand-father.
Respectfully,
Skip and Gloria Clift*

Skip and Gloria Clift - September 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ *Dear Sheila:*

*I am so sorry to hear that your father has passed away. May his
memory keep him close to your heart always.*

*Love you
Margaret Waller*

Margaret Waller - September 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Shannon Jr. Darland modeled and mentored a man of excellence, integrity, and love of family to all of us who were blessed to call him Uncle Tag.

He and Aunt Frances showed great love and compassion to his sisters, Mary, Viola (Bolie) and Melba and their children. Today (9/11) we have heard much celebrating of heroes. Uncle Tag was my hero. He will live on in the hearts and lives of all he touched.

Prayers are with you Sheila, Phil, Shannon, and Chris. He lives big shoes to fill.

Darlene Wilkins - September 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ sheila, phil, and the rest of the family, i am sorry for your loss. uncle tag was a great man. may all the great memories you shared with him help ease your pain and comfort you over the next few days. he can now go be with the love of his life, aunt frances. may god wrap his arms around you all and watch over you as you say goodbye. love you all.

donna adams - September 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM