



## William "Al" Herrington

August 30, 1927 - June 12, 2017

William Alfred "Al" Herrington went to be with his Lord on June 12, 2017 in Tyler, Texas at the age of 89.

Al is survived by his loving wife, best friend and soul mate of 18 years, Gerry Ann Pardue Herrington; sister, Louise Ornelas and husband Joseph of Tyler; brother, Bill Herrington and wife Peggy of Tyler; sister, Ann Kimery of Tyler; daughter, Barbara Trimble and husband Glenn of Tyler; daughter-in-law, Janet Herrington; step-children, David Hans Herrington and wife Karen; Debbie Nichols and husband Jay of Tyler; Mike Pardue and wife Debbie of Flint; Pat Nichols and husband Tommy of Tyler; and Linda Trammell and husband Steve of Flint; grandchildren, Matt Trimble and wife Michelle of Tyler; Jason Trimble and wife Wendy of Tyler; Amiee Kellogg and husband Dave of Austin; Chuck Herrington of Longview; David Herrington and wife Mandy of Tatum; Ricky Paul Herrington and wife Dana of Dallas; Bryan Herrington and wife Simone; Emily Herrington; 26 great-grandchildren, and many, many friends.

Al was preceded in death by his parents Bill and Minnie Lou Herrington; first wife and mother of children, Ellen Margaret Herrington; son, Bruce Herrington; brother, Charles Herrington; sisters, Jean Lancaster and Ellen Thurman.

Al was born August 30, 1927 to Bill and Minnie Lou Herrington in Arp, Texas and lived there until moving to Tyler in 2016.

A veteran of World War II, Al joined the U.S. Navy at the age of 16 and served from August 1944 through June of 1946. He was deployed to the South Pacific and served the amphibious forces on the USS Fergus. Al said, on

many occasions, that he grew up in the South Pacific.

Al and Gerry were members of Flint Baptist Church in Flint, Texas.

Over 35 years ago, Al founded the Sunrise Prayer Fellowship group which is still active and going strong today. As a servant of the Lord, Al took on the task of listening and ministering to thousands of families in need. Because of that great role, City of Tyler Mayor, Barbara Bass proclaimed May 20, 2014 "Al Herrington Day." Al had a love for people and community and always had a pocket full of crosses which he handed out to people he came in contact with. Many of you have probably been handed a cross by Al at some point! Al was known as a man who never met a stranger and had a bubbly personality. He will be missed by many. One of Al's favorite verses, which he quoted often, was John 8:7 "... He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone." Visitation is at Stewart Family Funeral Home Thursday, June 15, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Services will be held in the Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel on Friday, June 16, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. with Brad Harvey officiating. Burial will follow at the Mason Cemetery in Arp, Texas.

Pallbearers are Matt Trimble, Jason Trimble, Chuck Herrington, David Herrington, Ricky Paul Herrington, Bryan Herrington and Dave Kellogg.

Honorary pallbearers are members of the Sunrise Prayer Fellowship.

Memorials may be made to the Sunrise Prayer Fellowship at 914 Troup Hwy, Tyler, TX 75701 or Heart to Heart Hospice at 7925 S. Broadway, Suite 1140, Tyler, TX 75703.

Love and special thanks go to everyone at Brookdale Tyler East.

# Cemetery Details

## Mason Cemetery

21800 CR 252  
Arp, TX 75750

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home  
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy  
Tyler, TX 75703  
(903) 581-2008

## Service

JUN **16**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of William "Al" Herrington*



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**Stewart Family Funeral Home** - June 16, 2017 at 09:58 AM

KM

“ *'Papa' Al was was like another dad to me. I met him in 1969 when my brother Glenn was dating Barb. It only took a short period of time to realize we were going to know him for years to come. Now God has called His shepherd home. It's said that one day in Heaven is like a thousand on Earth. Rest peacefully dear friend. We will see you in a few days...  
Kay and Tim Metzler*

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**Kay Metzler** - June 15, 2017 at 09:15 PM

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“ Al has been in and out of our lives for many years, starting with Wesley Methodist Church in Tyler, Texas. I used to sing many solos at Wesley and other places and he was always so kind to always thank me. James and he talked 'cars' most of the time; and both enjoyed Methodist Men together. He was a super human being and had a great impact on many lives.

*Love and Hugs,  
James and Kathleen Kyles  
Flint, Texas*

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**Kathleen** - June 15, 2017 at 08:16 PM



“ 122 files added to the album LifeTributes



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**Stewart Family Funeral Home** - June 15, 2017 at 03:43 PM

DH

“ David, Karen, Bryan, and Emily Herrington purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of William "Al" Herrington.



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**David, Karen, Bryan, and Emily Herrington** - June 15, 2017 at 09:39 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of William "Al" Herrington.*



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June 15, 2017 at 09:27 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Mr. Al was a great man and will never be forgotten. I grew up in Arp and my mother, Janie Inez Moore Hamilton, thought the world of Al. We saw him often. I lost my mother 4 years ago this past April. It has been hard, but I know she is in Heaven where I know Mr Al is now,too. He was such a good and loving man...RIP Mr. Al*



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**Donnie Hamilton** - June 15, 2017 at 06:13 AM



“ *Al, I will always remember the love you shared with me and my family and I pray our Redeemer Jesus Christ will comfort Gerry Ann and Barbara and all of your family in only the way He can do. I love you my brother. May the peace of almighty God be with you forever and ever. All my love.*  
*David Rumbelow*

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**David Rumbelow** - June 14, 2017 at 04:24 PM

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*Al, I would be remiss if I failed to thank you for your service in the United States Navy during the most perilous time of our nation's history and at the tender age of 16. I salute you sir and thank you for your heroism. You were truly a man of honor and I thank you for the life I am able to live now. Rest In Peace Al. You have fought the good fight. All my love.*

*David*

David Rumbelow - June 14, 2017 at 04:37 PM



*Bubba & I were great friends with Al. We went on artifact hunts with his late wife Jean ( that Bubba worked with) had lots of fun tothether) & I went to school with his brother & sisters. Al will be missed. RIP Al.*

Punk Jones - June 15, 2017 at 08:47 AM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of William "Al" Herrington.



June 14, 2017 at 03:18 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William "Al" Herrington.



June 14, 2017 at 01:11 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of William "Al" Herrington.*



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June 14, 2017 at 11:01 AM



“ *Mr. William "Al Capone" Herrington was a wonderful man and I will cherish the cross I received from him always. My thoughts and prayers go out to all the family.*Debbie White, Chapel Hill.

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**Debbie White** - June 13, 2017 at 08:03 PM



“ *Donna Richmond Judalet lit a candle in memory of William "Al" Herrington*



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**Donna Richmond Judalet** - June 13, 2017 at 08:25 AM



*So sorry for your loss. I know he is rejoicing with Ms. Minnie in Heaven with Jesus. Prayers for you all.*

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**Donna Richmond Judalet** - June 13, 2017 at 08:25 AM



*Precious Memories How They Linger. Shirley & I Will Have So Many Memories. Thank You For Seeing A Need To Help By Getting Tyler Auto Christen Fellowship Going. You Are OK Now. SON RISE PRAYER Will AND Have Missed You And What You Meant To All Of Us.*Jerry & Shirley Dowdy.

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**Jerry Dowdy** - June 13, 2017 at 09:46 PM



“ *A Good Man . A good friend . Rest in Peace "Al" .*  
*Jim Lozier*

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**Jim Lozier** - June 13, 2017 at 07:44 AM