



William Krafve

November 5, 1926 - December 15, 2007

Services for William Carl "Bill" Krafve, 81, of Tyler, are scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 19, 2007, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy in Tyler, with Dr. Tom McCall officiating. The service will be followed by a private family burial. Mr. Krafve died of complications from Scleroderma at home, surrounded by his family, on December 15, 2007. He was born November 5, 1926 in Duluth, Minnesota, to the late Reuben H. and Anna Wettersten Krafve. He was an Eagle Scout. He graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1948 with a B. A. degree in Geology and minors in Math and Zoology. He served in the U.S. Air Force from November 17, 1943 through December 2, 1945. He was a Petroleum Geologist. Bill and Mary began their marriage and family in San Antonio, Texas, spent nine years in Calgary, Canada, then settled in Tyler in 1976, spending many happy family times vacationing in Whitefish, Montana. He was known for his commitment to his Christian faith and was an inspiration to all. He will be missed for his sense of humor, his faithful love, and his devotion to family. He is described by his grandchildren as tender, attentive, patient, kind, caring, fun, engrossing, and a wise counselor. His hero was Ronald Reagan. He was an avid outdoorsman and a craftsman who loved woodworking. Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Mary Lund Krafve, son David William Krafve and daughter-in-law Cathy Primer Krafve of Flint, daughter Ann Krafve Howard and son-in-law Stephen Howard of Katy, and son Richard Lund Krafve and daughter-in-law Leslie Rios Krafve of Round Rock; five grandchildren, including Anna Krafve, Ellen

Krafve, William Charles Krafve, Matthew Howard, and Stefanie Howard; and Bill's sister, Betty Krafve Belknap, her husband, Ken Belknap, and the families of Bill's two nephews, Mark Belknap and Bill Belknap. Pallbearers are Stephen Howard, Matthew Howard, William Krafve, Bob Ungerecht, Keith Hilliard, Jeff Strout, and Cecil Price. Honorary pallbearers include Tejan Cunningham, Grady Baskin, Dr. Charles Primer, Marilyn Trollinger, Tom Perry, Bill Jamison, Les Elsworth, Donal Steph, Gene Earl, Watson Hardeman, and Tom McCall's Sunday School Class. If desired, memorials may be made to Pine Cove Christian Camps, PO Box 9055, Tyler, TX, 75711, 903-561-0231 or The School of Tyrannus, Adult Bible Study, PO Box 741, Bullard TX, 75757, 903-894-3697. For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Rich, I want to extend my deepest sympathy for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family today.*

Paige Hadjison McGuffey - December 15, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God give you strength and courage for the days ahead.*

Jim and Betty Plyler - December 15, 2007 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ *Mary, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family .*

God Bless.

Nancy Crim

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