



William Rozell,

November 21, 1924 - June 17, 2007

Services for Lt. Col. William F. Rozell, Jr., 82 of Tyler, are scheduled for Wednesday, June 20, 2007 at 10:00 AM at Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Dennis Newburn officiating. Burial will follow in the Tyler Memorial Park in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Lt. Col. Rozell passed away, Sunday, June 17, 2007 at the Hospice of East Texas in Tyler. He was the oldest son born November 21, 1924 in Swan community on "Red Hill" in Lindale, Texas to the late William F, Sr and Nora Mae (Hendricks) Rozell. William attended school in Swan until he was 12 years old. In June of 1937, his family moved to their Dixie residence near Tyler. He attended schools in Dixie and Tyler. William Floyd, Jr. was the eldest of four brothers. After graduating from high school he started a decorated career in 1942 with the United States Air Force. He flew for over 28 years logging 8340 flying hours and 20 combat missions with the 8th Air Force out of England during World War II. Lt. Col. Rozell was apart of the 96th Bomb group and the 337th Bomb Squadron out of England. Over his accomplished career he flew 13 different aircrafts with his favorites being the B17-G, B47, B52 and C130. While finishing his career he flew 827 Sorties in Vietnam and his beloved C130 Hercules. In 1946, William F. Jr., married the now late, Libby Jean Allen, of Pine Springs Community in Tyler and they had three children. William Floyd re-married 21 years ago this week, to Meleese Vincent Reeves of Tyler. Lt. Col. Rozell was preceded in death by his parents; and first wife, Libby Jean Allen; and brother, James Morris Rozell. William is survived by his

loving family including his wife of 21 years, Meleese Rozell of Tyler; son, Robert Scott Rozell, Sr. and wife Linda Joy Hall of Bridge City; two daughters, Paula Irene Falkenmayer of Berryville and Linda Jean Watson and husband Breck of Whitehouse; two stepsons, Ronnie Reeves and wife Barbara of Chandler and Randy Reeves and wife Shirlene of Tyler; brothers, Peter Bruce Rozell of Tyler and Billy Joe Rozell of Tyler; thirteen grand-children and ten great-grand children. Pallbearers will be Eddie Walker, Daniel Reeves, Matthew Reeves, J.C. Grumbles, Scott Rozell, Darren Polk, Dewayne Rozell, and Randy Schultz. The family will receive friends from 6:00 - 8:00 PM June, 19, 2007, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy., Tyler, Texas 75703. Memorials in honor of Lt. Col. Rozell may be made to Hospice of East Texas; 4111 University Blvd, Tyler 75702 or a Church/Charity of your choice. For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com.