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Jerome Jerry Hardegree died on February 14, 2008 after a lengthy hospital stay in Longview, Texas. Mr. Hardegree was born on December 24th, 1920, a twin, in Ben Wheeler, Texas to Edward and Cora Hardegree. He was a pilot in World War II and flew the hump in a C-46 aircraft in Burma for several years during the war. He attended SMU and made his business steel fabrications and gas compressors moving from sales to eventually owning Cherco Equipment. Mr. Hardegree worked in Iowa, Minnesota and Dallas before settling in Longview in 1967.

Jerry was preceded in death by his wife of 44 years, Barbara Maseman Hardegree, in 1998, by three brothers, Howard, Max and Ben and his twin sister Jean Bolin and his parents. He is survived by his children, Debbie Hardegree of Dallas and Jeff Hardegree of Longview, a brother and sister-in-law, Joe and Betty Hardegree from Mena, Arkansas, a sister-in-law, Betty Hardegree from Sonora, Texas, numerous nieces and nephews.

Jerry was a member of the First United Methodist Church, a lifelong golfer at Pinecrest Country Club. Jerry was an intelligent, quick witted individual with a colorful personality. He was an unforgettable character to all who knew him.

He will be greatly missed by his family who ask that in honor of his life and death on Valentine's Day, that you remember to exhibit love and appreciation to each other as a testament to his life and the life of Jesus Christ with whom he now resides.

Funeral services will be held at Twelve O'clock Noon Monday February 18, 2008 at the Chapel of Rader Funeral Home 16171 Judson Road with Reverend David Lindwall officiating. Interment will follow at Memory Park Cemetery under the direction of Rader Funeral Home of Longview.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society



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The family will receive friends at the funeral home Sunday February 17, 2008 from 6pm until 8 pm.



Tribute Wall

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Anonymous posted:

Jeff, Just a note to let you know I am holding you in my thoughts and prayers. What good memories of you and Randle. I enjoyed being neighbors to you and your parents. ##imported-begin## Judy March Morrison ##imported-end##

February 17 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Debbie, sorry you lost your dad and that I was not able to get up there last week due to illness. Jerome and I were best friends through high school, roommates for 2 years in college prior to WW II and he was Bestman at my wedding in 1945. Have missed him a lot these many years since that time due to our geographical locations. He was a great person. Best wishes to you and Jeff. ##imported-begin## Bill Watts ##imported-end##

February 17 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

My condolences to his family and loved ones. As a new employee at Cherco Equipment Company back in 1970 one of my favorite memories is when the secretary was decorating the office Christmas tree. She was having some trouble getting it to look right. When Jerry walked by she said "I can't get these balls to hang right". Jerry kept walking and said "I know just how you feel". I have been laughing ever since. Jerry was a good man who had the respect of his employees. His dry sense of humor is what I will remember most. ##imported-begin## Darrell Thompson ##imported-end##

February 17 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Debbie & Jeff, So sorry to hear about your loss of Jerry. He was an old friend and we have lots of fun memories of him and your Mom. So sorry we did not know about the service until this afternoon. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. ##imported-begin## Howard/Alyce Ann Wagner ##imported-end##

February 17 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Debi, just wanted to let you I'm thinking of you and praying for you. Love, Teresa.##imported-begin##Teresa DeMoss##imported-end##

February 16 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I have always cherished my memories of Jerry mastering the links at Pinecrest Country Club. My father, Daniel I. Felsenthal, had the highest respect for him and always told me he "was the most successful and wise businessman he'd ever met." Moreover, Jerry's generosity in bringing his baked bread to my father while he was in declining health and to my mother after his passing will always stand in my mind as a testament to his true tenderness and character, which I will woefully miss, but feel so grateful for having known.He was one of a kind!##imported-begin##Daniel S. Felsenthal##imported-end##

February 16 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.##imported-begin##Sharon Ringler##imported-end##

February 16 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Debbie,How sad I am that you have lost your last parent, but I am happy that this has brought our friendship closer. We share memories of our childhood, as well as the closeness of my mother and your Aunt Jean. Find happiness and peace in the legacy that our parents left behind.Love,Ann##imported-begin##Ann Shivers Matherne##imported-end##

February 15 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Jerome by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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