



## George Lloyd Verga

February 11, 1925 - February 11, 2020

George Lloyd Verga entered this life on February 11, 1925 and tied things up neatly by entering his new life in Heaven on his 95th birthday, February 11, 2020. This epitomized our dad's life. He spoke few words, but always showed his true character in his actions. Throughout his high school career he shone both academically and in every sport he played. When he joined the Army, at age 19, his superiors singled him out for Officer's Training School and he quickly rose to the rank of captain. He served with distinction when deployed to Occupied Japan just days after the bombs were dropped. But like most men of his generation, he rarely talked about the hardships of his service.

All of his life he worked hard to support his family, usually at two jobs-sometimes at three. Family life wasn't rosy, but our dad was always loyal and supportive, and most importantly he led by example in teaching us to persevere, serve God, and serve others. Even up until the last weeks before his death he continued to serve faithfully at the Sharing and Caring Outreach of his home congregation, the Alpine Church of Christ.

George Verga is survived by his wife of 17 years, Charlotte Verga.

He has left behind children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren to carry on his legacy of service to God and others:

Daughter Shari Buie, and husband, Michael Buie, their son, Rob Buie and his two daughters, Jorie and Brylie; their daughter Brooke Ross, her husband, Jeff Ross and their two daughters Ryann and Reagan.

Son, George Lloyd Nelson and his son, Daniel Nelson and his wife, Jill and their two sons, Dean and Ashton; son, Christopher Nelson.

Daughter, Teri Looney and her husband, Paul A. Looney, MD, their son, Adam Looney, his wife, Krissi, their children, Rin, Ender and Rigel; son, Joel Looney, his wife, Ashley; son, Jon Paul Looney, his wife, Allison, their children, William Henry and Iona.

A graveside service will take place on Saturday, February 15, 2020 at Rosewood Park Mausoleum Chapel beginning at 11 AM, with a Memorial Service to immediately follow at Alpine Church of Christ, 610 E Loop 281, Longview, TX. beginning at Noon. The family will receive friends for a time of visitation from 5PM till 7PM on Friday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to the 'Caring and Sharing Ministry' in Longview.

# Events

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**FEB 14**   **Visitation**   05:00PM - 07:00PM

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Rader Funeral Home  
1617 Judson Rd., Longview, TX, US, 75601

**FEB 15**   **Graveside Service**   11:00AM

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Rosewood Park Mausoleum Chapel  
1884 FM 1844, Longview, TX, US, 75605

**FEB 15**   **Memorial Service**   12:00PM

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Alpine Church of Christ  
610 E Loop 281, Longview, TX, US, 75605

# Comments

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“ An external video has been added.



Rader Funeral Home - February 14 at 02:24 PM

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“ Uncle George Verga brought a twinkle to my eyes as a person, a father and a friend to all that he met. I last spoke with him on January 11 and we had a great conversation and at the end of it, George said Oh by the way, thanks for calling me and wishing me a happy birthday, but that's the 11th of next month. He always wanted his family to have as much as he could provide for them, but mainly helping orphanages and children who were without parents. He most often worked 2 or 3 jobs because he loved his family and his adopted families dearly. He still managed plenty of time for his family, but his true Love was his Love of God and Jesus Christ. I remember the many soft spoken sermons he delivered and his memory of the bible was remarkable. How he found time for everything I will never know, but if I were to guess, it was because God helped George out with the details of life so that George could do the rest!!!! I was sad to learn after calling 5 or 6 times on the 11th of February that Uncle George had passed away on his 95th birthday and that I had just missed him. God has gained a beautiful and resourceful person as an angel and his wonderful wife, Charlotte and the rest of the family has lost a dear friend but he is only a memory away. Thank You Uncle George for the many good childhood memories and I must say again, I Love You dearly and you were a great uncle and a great friend!!!! Save me a place, will you, for I will see you someday?????

Cliff Tigert - February 13 at 03:08 PM

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“ Alpine Church of Christ, Longview, TX purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of George Lloyd Verga.



Laura Bowen - February 13 at 11:31 AM

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“ Heather's family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of George Lloyd Verga.



Heather's family - February 12 at 07:33 PM

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“ If you met my dad, you know he was a man of few words. He liked to teach us practical skills-how to bait a fish hook, how to ride a bike, the key to carrying a cup of coffee in saucer across the room without spilling it (hint: don't look down at the cup, look at the person you are taking it to), and how to drive a car are a few of the valuable things I learned from his words.

But what I learned from his character has been even more invaluable. He has taught me the value of perseverance, of loyalty, of service, of not complaining, of loving God and loving others. He taught me that I don't have to call attention to my own achievements and that it is ok to be in the background. He showed me that substance endures over flash.

When I think of my dad, I think about what CS Lewis said about humility, that true humility is not thinking less of yourself, but thinking of yourself less.

My dad was a truly humble man and that is the greatest compliment I can think to give him.



Teri - February 12 at 06:27 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of George Lloyd Verga.



February 12 at 11:14 AM