



Harold E. Mazzare

May 27, 1917 - November 13, 2008

Harold "Hal" E. Mazzare

Funeral services for Hal Mazzare, 91, of Longview, will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, November 17, 2008 in the Chapel of Rader Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Memory Park. He passed away Thursday, November 13, at his residence in Longview.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

He was born May 27, 1917 in Wichita Falls, TX. He attended school in Houston and the San Antonio Military Academy. Mr. Mazzare served in the U. S. Army before and during WWII in the U.S. and in China Burma India Theater of operations as Chief Warrant Officer. He returned to the U.S. and was commissioned and later served in the Texas National Guard.

He was retired from Lone Star Steel after 27 years of service as the Senior Purchasing Manager. Mr. Mazzare was a former president of Pine Crest Country Club, president of the National Purchasing Association of East Texas, 32 degree Mason, Shriner, and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Longview. He enjoyed golf with his buddies, some traveling and mostly, time with his family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wives, Nell Pickens Mazzare and Edwina Grogan Mazzare; his parents, Victor Edward and Minnie Gertrude Mazzare; brothers, H. R., Victor, Joe, and Charles Mazzare.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and Darrel Blount of Hot Springs, AR; daughter and son-in-law, Toni and Woodrow J. Gernand of Bay City, TX; step-daughter and son-in-law, Cindy and Dr. Martin Buresh of Texarkana, TX; grandchildren, Kimberly Gernand and her daughters, Darian, Azia, and Kaia; Shelley and husband Tommy Coleman and their daughters, Carly and Audrey; Karl Buresh and wife Christie; Jason Gernand, Chip Gernand and Dustin Carpenter; and long time special friend and loving care giver, Debbie Mathis.

Honorary pallbearers will be Ed Gray, Dwane Smith, Max Wilson, and Durham Bivens.

Comments



“ I just heard about Mr. Mazzare and was deeply saddened. You see I worked at Pinecrest Country Club several years ago and can remember what I kind and genuine person that he was. I was just a punk kid at the time but he never treated me as such, always like I was a man and would always kindly ask for his golf bag and was never short or cross. He was a true Gentelman, and even touched the life of a sixteen year old punk kid. I am twenty-seven now and still I have to smile at the memory of Hal. My thoughts and prayers are with the family of this gracious man.

Joshua Dean - December 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I had the pleasure to work for Mr. Mazzare for 8 years at Lone Star Steel. Although he was very strict we always seemed to have fun and get our work done too. The thing I remember about him is he always signed his name with green ink. God bless you in your loss.

Barbara Griffin - November 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Hal and Edwina were special friends, and we'll continue to cherish our memories of the times we were together.
Jake and George Colvill

Jake & George Colvill - November 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Toni, Sorry to hear about your Dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Wayne Ferguson

wayne ferguson - November 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Toni,
To everything there is a season
A time and purpose

Our thoughts and prayers to you and your family. We love you.

Ralph & Gale - November 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr.Mazzare was always a true professional when he was our Manager at Lone Star Steel. I learned a lot from him. He always had a good joke to tell. I still call the desserts at Mexican restuarants "Sofa Pillows" when I order them, just as he taught me. The world was better place for his having been here.

Stan Stokes - November 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM