



William Harry Boudreau

March 16, 1927 - June 15, 2014

William Harry Boudreau, age 87, of Fairview, Texas, passed away June 15, 2014. He was born March 16, 1927 to Deslie and Helen (Millingar) Boudreau in Canton, Missouri. Harry grew up in the LaGrange, Missouri area. After serving in the 1st Cavalry Division of the United States Army, he earned his bachelor degree from Bradley University in mechanical engineering. On October 7, 1950 Harry married Marilyn Elaine Damhorst in Quincy, Illinois. During his career he worked for Motorola, Sperry, and Honeywell as an engineer focusing on aviation and aero-space flight systems. In retirement he served as historian of the 1st Cavalry. In this role he developed and maintained a detailed website, www.first-team.us, and authored a book chronologizing the division's history.

William is survived by his sister, Virginia Glasgow of Quincy, Illinois; children Nancy Anderson and husband Steve of Scottsdale, Arizona, Janet Jameson-Szoloszi and husband Ken of Fairview, Texas, Patty Muehlbauer and husband Chuck of Flagstaff, Arizona, Marcia Mucci and husband Mark of Coral Springs, Florida, and Mary Kuttler and husband John of Ellicott City, Maryland; thirteen grandchildren, Stephanie Clark, David Anderson, Melissa Anderson, Greg Anderson, Kenneth Jameson, Joe Muehlbauer, Bill Muehlbauer, Dan Muehlbauer, Stephen Mucci, Christine Mucci, Kevin Kuttler, Brian Kuttler, Ashley Kuttler, and thirteen great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Deslie and Helen Boudreau; wife, Marilyn Elaine Boudreau; and grandson, Neal Jameson, III.

The family will receive friends during a visitation Thursday morning June 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home in Allen, Texas. A lunch reception will follow at 11:45 a.m. at St. Jude Catholic Church in Allen, Texas. The funeral mass will be held that afternoon at 1:30 p.m. at the church. Interment with Military Honors will follow at Ridgeview Memorial Park in Allen, Texas.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. https://donate.cancer.org/index?don_promo=WebHonGif

Memorials

Your dad was our uncle, a special uncle in many ways. When we were very young he was the person that saved Jim and I from our rambunctious ways. Torn pants and new shoes worn to the bone on the same day they were purchased were replaced by him; saving us from a very sore behind. Before you were born we would visit grandma B and help him wash his car in the backyard. I am sure at such a young age we were a HUGE help. When I was in Arizona prior to my tour in Vietnam it was your parents that invited us over every Sunday for church and a Sunday meal. Your mom was a great cook and the visit was a welcome family experience every week. They put us up for a few weeks until we found a suitable place to live, making the cross country move to Arizona easy for two 19 year olds. Where it does not sound like much they gave us their used, but like new wringer washing machine, a piece of gold for us. No trips to the laundry mat and the savings on our meager military salary was a big deal. Harry went on to offer help getting me into Arizona state university on my return from Vietnam. Not if, but when I returned! He was always there in the background and where brief in his conversations cared for us all. He accomplished some spectacular things in engineering that he would not talk about and I remember still his returning home evenings with a briefcase handcuffed to his wrist while working in Arizona. He worked on the very early designs of the space shuttle, resolved issues with the stability of the French SST and worked on the early designs of the space station along with numerous military devices that were critical to the lives of so many. Initial rockets were fired in the Arizona desert over our military base, they were the first lessons in designing a space shuttle body with lift. Too narrow to fly on their own after thrust was lost they would fall to the ground. I tried several times to get your dad to tell me about his experiences, but a secret is a secret and his word was as good as gold. I talked to your dad on the phone several times a year to stay in touch and will miss those conversations. The very best

to you and your families,

JOHN AND PATTY GLASGOW, JUNE 21, 2014

Harry was an extraordinary historian. He made enormous contributions to not only the 1st Cavalry, but the United States Army as well.

JOHN S WESTERLUND, JUNE 18, 2014

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