



Karl "Harold" Handkins

November 19, 1923 - June 19, 2010

Harold Handkins Harold Handkins, 86, of Huntsville, TX, passed away June 15, 2010 surrounded by family and friends. He was born November 19, 1923, in Basil KS, the son of late Earl and Pauline Handkins. His love for music lead him to Friend's University for a year before he enlisted in the Merchant Marines first serving as an Oiler and then a Radio Operator/Officer during WWII. He married Beverly Edwards on December 30, 1946. After his discharge he worked as a radio and television engineer and then began a long career with Rowe, International. Prior to his retirement in 1996, he owned and operated Metro Office Supply in Houston, TX. He is survived by his wife, Beverly, of Huntsville, TX; two brothers, Paul and Melvin Handkins of Wichita, KS; daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Eddie Kent of Houston, TX; son and daughter-in-law, Scott and Susan Handkins of Austin, TX; grandchildren, Kelly Richie and Traci Burchfield of Houston, TX, Sara, Michael and Marie Handkins of Austin TX; and great grandchildren Reese Lauren and Paxton Isabella of Houston, TX. Mr. Handkins was preceded in death by his brother, Eugene; his sister, Edna Marie York and his beloved daughter, Jill Elaine Duhem. He will be remembered fondly by all of his family as a fun loving and devoted brother, husband, father and grandparent. Visitation with the family will be held on Friday, June 18th from 5-7pm at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. A memorial service in celebration of Harold's life will be held at First Presbyterian Church in Huntsville, TX on Saturday, June 19th at 11 am. Interment will be Monday, June 21, 2010, 11:00 a.m. in Bonita Cemetery,

Kingman, Kansas. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations in Harold's memory to The American Macular Degeneration Foundation at www.macular.org. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Karl "Harold" Handkins*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Beverly, please know that you and your family are in our hearts and prayers as you cope with the loss of such a kind man. We always enjoyed seeing Harold working in the yard with his roses. One day we stopped to tell him what a beautiful rose bush it was on the side of your house-he thanked me, cut one of the blossoms and gave it to me. This is one of my fond memories of a kind neighbor.*

Ken and Peggy Egger - June 24, 2010 at 05:13 PM

RR

“ In Harold's obituary it says, "He will be fondly remembered by all his family as a fun loving and devoted brother, husband, father and grandparent." All of this is very true, but it should also have included "Uncle" as well. And "Great Uncle." It was only a few years ago Uncle Harold was in our backyard sliding down the slide with his two young great nieces to gleeful giggles and happy laughter.

Uncle Harold was often surrounded by laughter, smiles, and happy hearts. His warmth and good humor were very contagious. He raised the "happiness quotient" of any group to which he belonged. He was a consummate gentleman who used his words always to encourage, uplift, and to build up. I never, ever heard him say any ugly thing about anyone. He was an extraordinary man who was a joy to know and be around. He will continue to encourage, uplift, and build up through the many remembrances and stories that will live on in our memories.

Thank You, God, for the gift of Uncle Harold!

Rob, Paula, Emily & Natalie Raine - June 20, 2010 at 04:35 PM

CF

“ Sorry to hear about Uncle Harold. When I was a kid, I thought of him as the "cool" uncle; who drove convertibles, dressed fashionably, lived in the NYC area, looked like Lee Marvin in Dirty Dozen, and was very personable. And even though I am much older now, I still think of him that way. Uncle Harold will be missed.

Cincinnati Handkins Family - June 19, 2010 at 10:29 AM

SP

“ Beverly, we are so sorry that this happened to such a wonderful person. You will miss him so much. God has taken him to be with Him in His glorious way. Our prayers and thoughts are with you always.

Sandra Bean and Phil Peet - June 18, 2010 at 05:57 PM

BF

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers and thoughts. Please call us if you need anything.

Batista Family - June 18, 2010 at 01:37 PM

TR

“ Kathy, We are all so very sorry for your loss. Our deepest sympathy goes out to you and all of your family.

Tammi & Bart Rollert - June 18, 2010 at 09:32 AM

KM

“ Beverly, we were shocked to see in the paper this morning that Harold had passed away. We are so very sorry and send our deepest sympathy and prayers to you and your family.

Ken & Dee Murphy - June 17, 2010 at 05:10 PM

KP

“ Beverly, I am so sorry to hear about Harold. I was going online to read my husband's condolences and saw Harold's name. Please accept my deepest regrets and prayers.

Kathleen Price - June 17, 2010 at 02:59 PM