



William Albert Zoeller

August 13, 1935 - March 23, 2018

William Albert Zoeller, of Waterwood Texas, 82, passed away peacefully with family by his side on March 23rd, 2018.

William was born in Glassport, PA on August 13th, 1935, the son of the late Frederick Heinz and Mary (Esken) Zoeller. He grew up in Sewickley, PA where he graduated from Sewickley High School in 1953 and continued his education by attending the University of Pittsburgh where he received a Bachelor's of Science degree in Petroleum Engineering in 1957. While at the University of Pittsburgh, he was in the Army R.O.T.C. program where upon graduation, he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant Officer and was stationed at Fort Hood, Texas and aided in overseeing the Petroleum Depot Supply and later attained the rank of 1st Lieutenant.

He resigned from the military service after four years of active and reserve duty and began a 33+ year career in the oil field. Over the course of his career, he developed and implemented numerous patents and applications in formation and drilling analyses in the detection and location of hydrocarbon zones for Pan Geo Atlas Corporation, Anadrill Schlumberger, and Teleco-Baker Hughes. He traveled the four corners of the world before retiring on Lake Livingston in Waterwood, Texas where he enjoyed fishing and boating. William married his high school sweetheart, Eleanor Jean Hipsley, September 1, 1956 at Emanuel's Lutheran Church in Bellevue, PA and celebrated 61 blessed years of marriage. They enjoyed traveling, antiquing and most of all their love and companionship of being with each other. Together they raised a

family; William David (Vicky), Kenneth Alan (Wanda), Richard Thomas (1961), and Raymond Frederick (Anja); and they enjoyed their six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by Frederick Elmer Zoeller (Brother), Janet Dianne (Stuehling) (Sister-in-Law), and Richard Thomas Zoeller (Son).

William was a very outgoing and friendly person, who never met a stranger. He will be truly missed by his loving family and friends.

Friends will be received on Thursday, March 29, 2018 from 10 to 11 am with the Memorial Service immediately following at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home; 1700 Normal Park Drive; Huntsville, Texas.

Flowers will be accepted or donations can be made in honor of William A. Zoeller at The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Development Office – Breast Oncology, PO Box 4486, Houston, Texas 77210.

On line condolences may be offered at www.shmfh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340
(936) 291-7300
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *William Albert Zoeller*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *I havent know Opa very long. But just in those few short years i learned that he was a wonderful person and loved his famliy very much. I loved the stories he use to tell. And how him and Nana would pick at each other. To just sit and watch the love from him to his wife was amazing to see. Opa you are well loved and will be dearly missed.*

Rachel Crampton - March 29, 2018 at 02:48 PM



“ *Our vacations to Houston always included a visit to the lake to visit Mr. &Mrs. Zoeller . We will cherish our memories from our visits in our hearts. Wish we could be with all of you and this difficult time 😞. May you rest peacefully and fly with the Angels Mr.Z...Loves and hugs to you all from St.Philips,NL*

Rose Squires - March 29, 2018 at 04:47 AM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Albert Zoeller.*



March 28, 2018 at 05:12 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William Albert Zoeller.*



March 28, 2018 at 03:42 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Albert Zoeller.*



March 28, 2018 at 03:25 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of William Albert Zoeller.*



March 28, 2018 at 09:13 AM

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“ *Bill's memory never ceased to amaze me. If I'd call for Eleanor and she wasn't home, he would know where she was, when she was expected back and never ever forgot to give her a message. If anyone had more than one conversation with Bill, you realized how much he loved his family and how proud he was of them. He will be missed by all, but I know he is glad to be home with Jesus. He is young again, pain free and walking with his Savior, enjoying the sights of Heaven we can only dream about.*

My love and prayers are with Eleanor and the family he loved so much.

Hugs, prayers and love, Wanda Gardner

Wanda Gardner - March 26, 2018 at 08:57 PM

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I am so fortunate to have known such a good man even luckier to have loved, respected and admired him as my Opa. I respected that he never spoke ill of anyone and this is something that I aspire to do. I loved that he was such an amazing husband to my Nana. The world felt like a better place with him in it. He always told the best stories, gave the most solid advice, and trust me there was never a dull moment. I'll always cherish our Dairy Queen trips even when I was supposed to be grounded. It was always "our little secret." Going to auctions with him and him letting me hold up his card during a bid. I remember how important all the little things he did made me feel. I am more than sure that I had the best grandfather a girl could as for. He always protected me. He didn't teach me with just words but his actions spoke volumes. He was such a generous, kind and noble man. Last but not least he was an amazing great grandfather to my daughter Madison. She cherished him deeply.

We will miss him dearly but we will forever treasure his memory. He wouldn't want us to focus on the sadness of his death but instead focus on the happiness in our lives.

Tracy - March 27, 2018 at 02:22 PM