



Truman Leonard Dickey

December 1, 1925 - October 8, 2018

FORT WORTH - Truman Leonard Dickey, 92, began his journey to the Lord's sweetest heavenly kingdom on Oct. 8, 2018.

Service with military honor guard will be held on Oct. 12, 2018, at 11 a.m. at River Oaks Baptist Church. Private interment: Greenwood Memorial Park.

Memorials: In lieu of flowers, Truman would be delighted if donations are sent to River Oaks Baptist Church, Children and Youth Ministries, 1515 Long Ave., River Oaks, Texas 76114.

Truman was born on December 1, 1925 to Willis Jep Dickey and Gladys Morene Chandler in Comyn, Texas. Truman enlisted in Company D 259th Infantry, 65th Division in March, 1944. He served in World War II under United States General George S. Patton. Truman saw action in Rhineland-Central Europe and his most memorable experience was during the night in Saarlautern, Germany in 1945 firing 81 MM mortar while advancing into Germany. Truman received the WWII Victory Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, EAME Theater Ribbon, two Bronze Service Stars and the Occupational Ribbon in Germany. After the war, Truman graduated from Harden-Simmons University with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. Truman met Erma Laverne Beck in Duncan, Oklahoma and they married on November 22, 1951; during their marriage they raised two sons. Truman and his wife moved to Fort Worth from Houston in 1962 while he was employed as a salesman for Mid-Continent Supply. In 1990, he retired from Mid-Continent so he could spend time with his grandchildren and continue his organic gardening talents by growing fresh vegetables for his family and sharing his bountiful harvests with friends and neighbors. Truman's greatest passion in life was his family, chocolate candy, gardening, listening to Bob Wills and Billy Graham, attending fiddle festivals, reading his bible and being outdoors. Truman served as a faithful deacon for over 54 years at River Oaks Baptist Church. Truman is from our greatest generation and will be remembered as a gentle quiet man with a quick wit and lovingly called "Papa" by his family. He was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Laverne; son, Don Brent; and newborn daughter, Linda Diane. Survivors: Son, Greg and daughter-in-law, Carol both of Fort Worth; granddaughter, Amy Dickey of Dallas; grandson, Grant Dickey of Fort Worth; sister, Shirley Kuhn and her husband, Doug of Richland Hills; and numerous nieces and nephews.

"It is foolish and wrong to mourn the men who died. Rather we should thank God that such men lived". ~General George S. Patton

Events

OCT **Funeral** 11:00AM
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River Oaks Baptist Church
1515 Long Ave, River Oaks, TX, US, 76114

Comments



“ Words cannot express the sadness that is in my heart that the world has lost such a man! Truman was the best man I have ever known and I am forever blessed to have cared for him. His smile was one that would could brighten a room, and although he was a man of few words when he spoke I made sure to listen. I will always remember his love for the Texas Playboy's and the times when I would just sit there and watch him while we listened. His eyes were as if he was in another time and then he would just smile. Even though I cared for him, the lessons that he taught me along the way even without knowing, surpass anything I ever could have done for him. Even though I knew him late in life it was not hard to see just the type of man he was in his younger days. I remember the date of D Day and Truman and I were having coffee, and I remember asking him if he knew what the date was. He of course told me and knew as if it were yesterday . Then I proceeded to ask him where he was on that day, and he told me. At that moment my heart was overcome with emotion. To some they would look at Truman and just see a man, but not me! He was a hero! He was a man of bravery, honor and sacrifice in many ways. I am humbled and honored to have known him! I will always remember the way he would always say my name when I asked him if he knew who I was and oh boy that grin . He will forever be in my heart and those of everyone he knew! My prayers to Carol and Greg and his family. I have never met people more dedicated to someone! He is now at rest, but forever living in our memories and our hearts!

Felisha Filippone-Hook - October 11, 2018 at 09:13 AM



“ When I was sick Papa would take me to McDonald's after a doctor's visit and that was something special to me as a child. Those most fun I had at Papa's house was playing with him and swinging in the backyard tire swing. I loved that tire swing! Love you Papa!

Amy Dickey - October 10, 2018 at 02:17 PM



“ Greg, I want you to know you have my prayers for peace and my deepest sympathy in your father's passing. Among the many similarities in our lives, having a dad who towered over the commonplace was surely one of those most responsible for the legacy that we ourselves will leave. Far beyond that, though, is their faith made an example before us bringing depth, richness and meaning to our lives. May you and your family be blessed with the peace of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. --Maxx

Maxx Lowe - October 10, 2018 at 01:50 PM



“ No words can express my profound sadness of Papa’s passing but I take comfort in knowing he is in “Glory Land” with Laverne, Don, and Linda. Papa taught me all about organic vegetable gardening and he always came to my rescue when I needed help with a withering plant. The love Papa gave to Amy and Grant cannot be measured they loved their Papa! Papa was raised during the depression and he saved everything to repurpose. I remember the hothouse he made out of old windows to protect his small seedling plants, it wasn’t the most eye pleasing structure but it served him well. Papa never did anything for himself, he worked hard, provided for his family, and never lived by winning the approval of other people but lived to be a faithful servant of Jesus Christ. Thank you Papa for loving me, thank you for raising a wonderful son Greg, who I chose to marry 32 years ago. Papa gave us so many memories with so much love he will be missed. ~ Carol

Carol Dickey - October 10, 2018 at 12:27 PM



“ My favorite memory of my grandfather is when he built forts with sheets and blankets held together with clothes pins. He made me a tire swing and hung it in the backyard on a huge oak tree and that tree is still here today! He is a great man and will be missed.

Grant Dickey - October 10, 2018 at 11:31 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Truman Leonard Dickey.



October 10, 2018 at 10:36 AM



“ Jeff, Teri, Matt, Gavin, and Logan Kennedy purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Truman Leonard Dickey.



Jeff, Teri, Matt, Gavin, and Logan Kennedy - October 10, 2018 at 10:28 AM