



# Charles Leon Harman

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## **Charles Leon Harman**

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**C**harles Leon Harman passed away on November 6, 2011. He was born on May 31, 1928, the third son of Ebb and Ada Calliham Harman, in Pelly, Texas. At an early age, Charles and his family moved to Highlands, Texas, where he grew to manhood.

Charles completed first through twelfth grades in Goose Creek ISD, graduating for Robert E. Lee High School. He attended Lee College for two years and then graduated from Texas Tech University with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering.

After college, during the Korean War conflict, Charles spent two years at the U.S. Army Ordnance Training School at Aberdeen, Maryland, teaching both officers and enlisted men how to repair various types of turret artillery.

Charles' working career was spent at one manufacturing plant in Missouri City, Texas. He spent 27 years employed by W-K-M Division, ACF Industries and 12 years by Cameron Valves. During the 39 years, Charles held a variety of positions in the Manufacturing Engineering Dept. including Manager of Plant Engineering. Charles retired in 1996, but he continued to work on a part-time basis for a number of years.

Charles was a long-time member of the Methodist Church and he served in a number of leadership roles in four Methodist churches. He was a member of Pearland First United Methodist Church, Open Door Sunday School Class for many years. Charles' lifetime was devoted to his church, family, friends, and country. He will be remembered by many for his smile, cheerful greeting, and pleasant manner.

Charles was pre-deceased by his parents, his first wife, Martha Ferguson Harman, his youngest son, John Ferguson Harman, and three brothers, Oliver M. Harman, Eldon E. Harman, and Oswald H. Harmann.



## Obituary

**Charles Leon Harman**

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Charles is survived by his loving wife, Zdenky Skrla Harman; son, Charles R. Harman and wife, Valerie, daughters, Meg Kleinschmidt and husband, Ulrich, Susan Ellington and husband, Sam; sisters, Cynthia Bolles and Pearl Parker; sisters-in-law, Patsy Harman, Brenda Harman, and Betty Harman; five grandchildren, Jonathan and Erik Kleinschmidt, Jessica Soucie, Lindsey O'Neal, and Julianne Ellington and many loving nieces and nephews; and a host of many other family and friends.

The family wishes to give special thanks to the staff at Colonial Oaks Pearland and Heart to Heart Hospice for their loving care of Charles.

A Visitation for Charles will be held on Wednesday, November 9, 2011 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Clayton Funeral Home, 5530 W. Broadway, Pearland, Texas 77581. The Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, November 10, 2011 at 11:00 am at First United Methodist Church, 2314 North Grand Blvd., Pearland, Texas 77581 with Dr. Bob Joiner officiating. Interment will follow at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Charles' memory may be made to First United Methodist Church Pearland and to American Heart Association.



## Tribute Wall

Charles Leon Harman

CS

**Chris And Ellen Strauss** posted:

To the Harman Family, Please accept our deeply felt condolences on the loss of Uncle Charles. You and he are in our thoughts and our prayers.

November 8 at 7:00 PM

DC

**Dr. H. Eugene Cragg** posted:

From Gene Cragg.... Reading Leon's obituary in the Houston Chronicle brought back so many memories of the good friendship Leon and I shared at Robert E. Lee High School in Baytown. Though our lives took us in different directions and we have not talked in many years... those years in high school remained meaningful to me. He was a good guy and a class act! My condolences to his family

November 7 at 7:00 PM

BK

**Bob & Debra Krahl** posted:

To all the members of the Harman family, Our condolences are with you and yours. Charles was a man of deep faith, high integrity and unquestioned love for family. Debra and I are praying for you, yet know your comfort is in the truth that Charles is in heaven today. Paul said it well in 2 Corinthians 5:8. "We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord." God bless all of you at this time.

November 7 at 7:00 PM

FH

**Family Of Charles Harman** posted:

To the family of Charles Harmon, I am so sorry for your lost. For the short time that I came in contact with both Mr & Mrs Harmon in our Wed. Bible Study, I felt that he had a sincere love for The Word of God. He was always such a gentleman when he was getting into the elevator with his wife Zdenky & others. He always wanted to open elevator for all. He was always smiling. He will be missed. Thank you for sharing him with Colonial Oaks. God Bless all the family! Patricia Morales with First Church Of Pearland.

November 7 at 7:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Charles by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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