



Adeline L. Sorrells

March 13, 1920 - February 8, 2010

Funeral services for Adeline L. Sorrells, 89, of Rosenberg, Texas will be held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, February 11, 2010 in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg with Rev. Larry Butcher officiating. Interment will follow at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Rosenberg.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., on Wednesday, February 10, 2010 in the Stateroom of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg.

Adeline was born March 13, 1920 near Nelsonville, Texas. She attended public school in Bellville and when her family moved to Fort Bend County, she attended school at Guy. After moving a second time, Adeline went into the 8th grade at Pleak. After graduating from Rosenberg High School in 1939, Adeline went to work for the Texas Unemployment Compensation Commission in Houston. While in Houston, she met her future husband. J. W. Sorrells was in the United States Navy. His first duty station was New Orleans. He served in China, England, Brazil, New Guinea, The Philippines, Alaska, Guam, and Hawaii. While in Argentina in 1940, he requested a tour of shore duty and somehow managed to end up stationed at the University of Houston. It was here that the two met and were married December 31, 1943. Her husband was subsequently transferred to California, receiving an assignment at Long Beach. Adeline moved there and was accepted for employment by the California Employment Commission. While in California, Adeline applied for and received a position with the Department of the Treasury, U. S. Customs Service. J. W. Sorrells was reassigned to Japan and in 1953 Adeline boarded a ship and sailed from San Francisco to Yokohama where she and her husband served their country for several years. Finally it was back to New Orleans, Louisiana where it all started before the war. A career Navy man, J. W. retired in 1966. He and Adeline owned and operated Big Jim's Restaurant in Algiers, Louisiana. After her husband passed away, Adeline moved back to Rosenberg, retiring from the Customs Service in 1985 after 34 years of service. After retirement Adeline continued to be active in her community, being a member of several organizations. She served as President and Vice President of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Fort Bend Chapter 2030, receiving a

Life Membership in 2005. She was a member of the Fleet Reserve Association Ladies Auxiliary, Chapter 261, New Orleans, Louisiana, and a member of the Rosenberg American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Unit 271. Adeline was also a member of Fort Bend Chapter 1772 of AARP, Worthy Matron of Rosenberg Chapter 429 Order of the Eastern Star, and a member of the Rosenberg Brethren Church. She did volunteer work at the University of Texas, M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, and the Rosenberg-Richmond Helping Hands. Adeline passed away February 8, 2010 in Richmond.

Adeline was preceded in death by her husband, James W. Sorrells of Pollock, Louisiana; parents, Joe and Emilie Liska; three brothers, Otis, Dennis and Franklin Liska; one sister, Elvis Sebesta; and nephews John and Terry Liska.

Survivors include her sister-in-law, Lorene Liska, nephews, James Liska, Otis Liska, Jr., Frank Sebesta & wife Peg, James Sebesta & wife, Mary Lee, Joe Sebesta & wife, Benita; niece, Denise Minks and husband, Joey, and their families; along with numerous other relatives and friends that will be missing her.

The family wishes to thank her caregivers, the Staff at Cambridge Health & Rehabilitation Center, and a very special thank you to Compassionate Care Hospice.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Adeline to the Rosenberg Brethren Church, 5220 Reading Road, Rosenberg, Texas 77471, The Alzheimer's Association, Houston and Southeast Texas Chapter, 2242 West Holcombe Blvd, Houston, Texas 77030, or the charity of your choice.

Pallbearers will include Frank Sebesta, James Sebesta, Joe Sebesta, Nathan Sebesta, James Liska, and Joey Minks.

Otis Liska, Jr. will serve as an honorary pallbearer.