



## Eugene Roger Kempe

December 6, 1916 - November 7, 2014

Eugene "Gene" Roger Kempe, born on December 6, 1916 in Creston, Iowa. He went to be with his Lord on November 7, 2014 in Richmond, Texas. He was the eldest of 3 children.

Gene worked in business for 27 years before he became a church business administrator. During 18 years, he served one congregation in Illinois and two in California. He retired in 1983 from All Saints Episcopal Church, Beverly Hills, California. He was an accomplished organist and pianist. He moved with his wife, Lavonne, to Richmond, Texas, in 1989.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 41 years, Lois, step-daughter Wendy L. Young, grandson, Jeffrey P. Diekmann and brother, Paul Kempe. He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Lavonne; his three sons, Wayne Kempe, the Rev. Ronald Kempe, and the Rev. Douglas Kempe and their families; three step-sons, David Diekmann, Daniel Diekmann, Jeffrey Diekmann and their families; sister, Barbara Peterson, 15 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday, November 10, 2014 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Rosenberg at 2:00 P.M. The family will receive friends starting at 1:00 P.M. Graveside services will be held at a later date in Garden of Memories Cemetery in Waterloo, Iowa.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to St. Paul's Lutheran Church,  
Rosenberg, TX.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Lavonne, Wayne, Ron, Doug and your extended families,

*This last year, I had great pleasure going through all of Dad's slides and digitizing them for our family. There were many that included Uncle Eugene, Aunt Lois, Aunt Barbara, Uncle Walter, Grandma and Grandpa Kempe at Razorback, Moline and in Astoria. With many other locales long forgotten. What wonderful memories. My condolences go out to all of you and the joy of knowing Uncle Eugene led a long life filled with love and family. With love, Martha*

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**Martha Kempe** - November 11, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ May the family find comfort in loving memories, and in knowing that God is "close to those that are broken at heart; and he saves those who are crushed in spirit." Psalm 34:18 Our loving Creator, Jehovah God, has promised to soon "swallow up death forever...and wipe the tears from all faces." Isaiah 25:8 With deepest sympathy.

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**Jackie** - November 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM