



Harold Loyd Grantham

December 14, 1925 - February 9, 2015

Harold Loyd Grantham Sr., 89, passed away Monday, February 9, 2015 in Sugar Land. He was born December 14, 1925 in Jesup, Georgia to Ferd Edward and Ada Elizabeth Williams Grantham.

Harold served our nation as a Navy seaman during WWII, as a crew member on the Destroyer Escort D.E. USS Leland E. Thomas. Harold began his naval career before he graduated high school. Leaving the safe surrounding of a classroom to answer the country's call of duty in January 1943 and served our nation until the cessation of the war and the victory was complete in September 1945; and began his post military career in Houston as an apprentice painter working for an established Houston firm helping to fuel and support a rapid housing expansion in post war Houston. In 1961 Harold established his own painting contractor company in Houston providing jobs and economic growth for countless employees and their families. His company was uniquely positioned to help grow some of Houston's most famed neighborhoods: Meyerland Park, River Oaks, Tanglewood, Briarcroft, and the Braeswood area among many others. He expanded his company in the late 60's, providing services for commercial construction, particularly office buildings and for the 24 years he owned and managed his company, Harold provided the leadership and business acumen necessary at assist in the major transformation of Houston. His company helped herald the growth of Houston as a business community on the world stage.

Survivors include his wife of 64 years, Jo Ann Robberson Grantham, 4 children, Harold Lloyd Grantham Jr. and wife Tamara, Edwin A. "Buddy" Grantham and wife Julie, Deborah Lynn Kaeser, Gary Wayne Grantham, 17 grandchildren, Christy Ford, James, Jeremy, Jeffrey and Jennifer Grantham, Kathleen Shannahan, William Grantham, Edwin Pierce, Kacey Bupp, Kayleigh, Kiley, Colby, Joshua, and Kayla Kaeser, Brittney, Jessica and Sandra Grantham, 14 great grandchildren, Xander, Hunter, Jeremiah, Johannah, Jaxon, Evelyn, James, Nathan, Elizabeth, Michale, Cathryn, Ty, Callen and Jonathan.

Harold was preceded in death by his parents, his brother, three sisters, and his daughter Dorothy Ann Ewing.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, February 12, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. in the Chapel at Davis Greenlawn Funeral home with burial to follow in Greenlawn Memorial Park. The Family will receive friends starting at 9:00 A.M. on Thursday until the service time.

Tribute Wall

LB

“ I enjoyed working with mr Grantham, he was a hard working, no nonsense, individual, didn't say much but when he did, you best listen because when he had something to say it was important. And he did not beat around the bush, straight to the point and if it hurt your feeling he probably ment to, he was a good man and will be sorely missed, my condolences to the family, may he rest in peace.clr9bc

Larry j baimbridge - February 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ H.L. & Tammy, I am so sorry for the loss of your father. I remember him as a hardworking man, and always to the point when he wanted something or had something to say. He was always a good and honorable man in everything he did. I will always remember the stories, you shared with me about your father. Every time I was around your dad, he reminded me of my dad, in the way he acted. He demanded respect, and expected only the best from everyone around him, especially in his house. I will always have fond memories of your father.

Charles Weaver - February 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KV

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you today..Our deepest sympathy to your family. The Kaeser Family93

Kathy Kaeser Vanguilder - February 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Buddy Steel 4, Julie and to the Grantham family. Vicky and I grieve at the loss of your dad. I loved him as I love your entire family. His character was of the fabric that made this country great. I will miss him. Steel 7*

CSM Ret. Juan A. Chavez - February 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ *Buddy, Julie and the Grantham Family,
I hated to hear of this great loss. I never had the privilege of meeting this great individual but know the strength and character of the Grantham family and its rock solid patriotic foundation. I know Mr. Grantham instilled an ethos of hard work and deep commitment throughout his family that will continue on and on and on. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Tom Kennedy
Houston*

Tom Kennedy - February 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *We love you Uncle Harold and we will miss you so so much!*

Trudy Philistine Bunting - February 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ *Ed & Julie, your loss has touched us both deeply, as losing a father no matter at what age leaves a void in our lives--never to be filled. I hope in the coming days as you as a family celebrate his life, you will find peace in his passing, rejoice in all the times you shared, and make the most of the wisdom and learning's he passed on. Our deepest sympathies. Gary & Susan*

Gary & Susan DuBois - February 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ Jo Ann: My husband and I were so saddened to hear of the passing of Harold. We pray our Lord will give you peace in your heart in the days to come. We will keep you and your family in our prayers. Your friends, Tommy RR 6 and Raymond Lastovica

Tommy Lastovica - February 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Aunt Joann:

I cannot express the loss I am feeling right now. Uncle Harold and you are my last connection to Daddy. I am so deeply saddened for you and all my cousins. You have been a wonderful wife. Thank you for taking care of him as you did. We love you! Alan, Suzie & Kaeleigh

Suzie Hill - February 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ Chuck and I send you our deepest sympathy. Our hearts ache for your loss. May all the wonderful memories of your Dad sustain you and the family through this difficult time.

Teri Calavan - February 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Sure enjoyed spending college weekends in your home with Buddy during our Freshman days in the Corps. You were a great gentleman and it was sure wonderful to come into a loving, peaceful home with delicious home cooked meals! Randal and I loved you!

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MT

“ *Buddy and Julie:*

Our hearts break with yours at this time of loss. We stand with you in sadness and gratitude for a life well lived.

in deepest sympathy and solidarity,

Mark, Lissa, Ember and Nico

Mark Thiele - February 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *Papa was a man who loved to laugh and tease, loved his family, and had a strong sense of what was right. He was a formidable 42-player, an avid fisherman, a fan of the Astros and NASCAR, brave enough to scale tall buildings, and a real magnet for small dogs, whom we know are the true judges of good character. We all miss him dearly.*

Kathleen Shannahan - February 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HJ

“ *My Dad was a true hero and a family man in every sense of the word. He was the hardest working man I ever had the privilege to work with and I will truly miss him.*

H. L. Grantham, Jr. - February 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ET

“ *Buddy and family.
Joan and I wish you our most sincere condolences.*

Eugene Tulich - February 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ *May God's blessing be upon the Grantham family*

Andrew Long - February 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ We are so sad for your Father’s passing. As Harold was a great husband for 64 years with Jo Ann, a great father to you your brothers and sisters, and Grandfather and Great Grandfather of many children, you are proud of your father as a Great Family Man, a Greatest Generation Navy Sailor and one of Houston’s finest as successful businessman. May God Bless you and your family. Our prayers are with you all.

John Martinec & My Dear Departed Carolyn - February 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM