



## Carl W. Cutler

June 1, 1941 - November 7, 2004

Carl Wesley Cutler was called to his heavenly home on November 7, 2004.

Carl, born on June 1, 1941 in Corpus Christi, Texas, was the second son of the late Dorothy Jean Morgan and Rolla Carl Cutler.

Following his graduation from Calallen High School, Corpus Christi, Texas, Carl enlisted in the U.S. Navy. Retiring from the Navy in 1980, Carl made his home in Florida where he lived and worked until his failing health necessitated his moving back to Texas.

Carl was a survivor. As a child he suffered with infantile paralysis. He endured painful physical therapy in order to walk again. The polio left Carl with a limp that should have kept him out of the Navy, but he persevered.

While in the Navy, he served on the USS Franklin Evans which was accidentally rammed by an Australian ship. The collision split the ship in half and one half was sunk. Carl survived because he was on the second half which was towed to shore.

When Carl suffered a stroke in 1995, he was in a coma for almost two months. The doctors did not think he would regain consciousness. One morning he opened his eyes and called out, "Where am I?" Carl lived nine years in San Antonio after his stroke.

Carl leaves behind his father, Rolla Carl Cutler of Tarpley, Texas.

He is also survived by his brothers and sisters-in-law; Earl and Betty, Daryl and Alice and Don and Cathy. His nieces and nephews; Carla, Nancy, Devin, Kimberly, Jenifer and Lucas. His great-nephew; Isaac Gutierrez. He is also

survived by aunts, uncles and cousins.

## SERVICES

Visitation will be held on Thursday, November 11, 2004 from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North. The Funeral Service will be on Friday, November 12, 2004 at 12:00 PM at the funeral home chapel with Rev. Dowell Loftis officiating. Interment will follow in the Tarpley Cemetery with Rev. John Sherman officiating at the graveside service.