



## Carl Ray Halfacre

December 16, 1922 - June 23, 2006

Carl Ray Halfacre passed away peacefully on June 23, 2006 in the loving arms of his family. He was a fighter confronting his three years of illness with quiet courage, strength and undying faith. He was born on December 16, 1922 in Livingston, TN, to the late Hank B. and Eula M. Halfacre. He was part of what Tom Brokaw called “The Greatest Generation.” He honorably served his country during WWII with the U.S. Navy in the Pacific Theater on board the USS Alpine and again in the Korean conflict on board the USS Reclaimer. He was a wonderful husband, father and grandfather to his family. He loved his children unconditionally, each having a unique and cherished relationship with him. He was the happiest when all the family was together. Ray retired at Kelly AFB after more than 36 years of dedicated service. He loved to play golf with his “buddies,” work on cars and watch the SPURS and Cowboys. He was a loyal friend and his word was as good as gold. He was a lifelong member of the Church of Christ. Although Ray has moved on to better serve our Lord, those who knew him and loved him will carry him in their hearts forever. His presence in our lives made us who we are today. He will be greatly missed by all. We pray that he has found everlasting peace and that he will continue to smile upon us from above. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Hank. He is survived by his devoted wife of 53 years, Patricia; by his loving daughters and their husbands: Holly Simmons Don, Kristi Thaxton Kirk, and Ashley Stewart Leon; his son, Ronald; his precious grandchildren, Leah Simmons, Megan Duderstadt, Morgan Stockberger, Matthew Thaxton Akane,

Kyle and Kaitlin Thaxton, Candace, Ashlea, Will and Carlie Stewart and great-grandson, Brodie Beers; by his brothers, Robert Halfacre Betsy, Donald Halfacre; sister, Judy Ernst Fritz; aunts, A.G. Meadows and Janet Deckert; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and by many, many friends. The family wishes to extend their heartfelt appreciation to all who prayed and supported them, to his loving care giver, Linda Salas, and to all the doctors and staff that tirelessly assisted over the past three years.

## SERVICES

The family will receive friends on June 26, 2006 from 6 - 9 p.m. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North. The funeral service will be held on June 27, 2006 at 12:00 p.m. in the Northside Church of Christ, Ministers David Allen, Mike Hartsell and Roy Osborne officiating. Interment will follow at the Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery, with military honors. If friends desire, in lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to the Christian Heritage School, 16316 U.S. Highway 281 N, San Antonio, Texas 78232.

# Tribute Wall

NB

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your husband and father--a great Christian. I would have certainly gone to the service if I would have known. May God bless you all with His strength and comfort. In Christ's love always. Norma Buckelew

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**Norma Buckelew** - June 29, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Love you Grandpa!

*I have been amazingly blessed by my grandfather, and the love he had for his family has been a great influence on my life. What a great example of selflessness and faith.*

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**Candace Stewart** - June 28, 2006 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ Pat,  
We are sorry for your loss, but glad that Ray is at peace. May you find comfort in family and friends during this time. God Bless.

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**Newman & Edith Keys, Cherry Cannon, Marvin & Kathleen McCleery** - June 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ PAT, OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND FAMILY. GOOD FRIENDS ARE NEVER FORGOTTEN. YOUR FAITH GIVES YOU STRENGTH, COURAGE, COMFORT BECAUSE GOD AND RAY ARE WATCHING OVER YOU. LOVE YOU, VERA AND ROSEMARY

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**elvira martinez** - June 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Holly I was sorry to hear about the death of your father. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Remember the good times to help you through this time of sorrow.

Cheri Dullnig - June 27, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ I came to know Mr. Halfacre through medical treatments at Santa Rosa. Although he never had much to say he had quite a sense of humor. In all the times he was in my clinic I never once heard him complain. There is no doubt he would have left this earthly

Christy Chiavacci - June 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Our love and sympathy to all of you on the loss of my sweet Uncle Ray! I so adored him! I wish we could be with you now, but know our hearts are there...Hugs to all of you. May God grant each of you Peace, Comfort, and Love. From the bottom of my hear

Sharyl, Tracy & Alex Clark - June 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ To Holly and family, my thoughts and prayers are with you. Wendy

Wendy Fowler - June 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM

FU

“ On behalf of the staff at Funeralsoft.com, we extend our sincerest condolences on the loss of your loved one.

Funeralsoft.com - June 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ *Our condolences to Pat and family.*  
*Paul & Ruth Webb*

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**Paul Webb** - June 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Carl Ray Halfacre*

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**Joe Hensley** - June 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM