



Charles Weldon Arnold

September 9, 1924 - May 3, 2021

Charles Weldon Arnold also known as Charlie, Pop, Poppa and Poppa Buddy, passed away peacefully on May 3, 2021 at the age of 96. Charles was born on September 9, 1924, and raised on a ranch in Chugwater, WY along with his three sisters and brother. After graduating from high school, Charles enlisted in the Army Air Corps and served as a B17 aerial gunner for 23 missions over Germany during World War II. After the war, Charles had met his future bride, Mary Ryan at a USO dance in San Antonio, TX. They were married a year later on November 30, 1946 at The Little Flower Basilica in San Antonio. Charles also served in the Berlin Airlift in the Germany Cold War, the Korean War at Clark AFB in the Philippines and as a management analyst for the USAF Security Service in Frankfurt, Germany. Charles finished his military career stateside and served tours of duty at Lackland AFB, Kelly AFB, Bergstrom AFB and Brooks AFB, retiring as a Master Sergeant in December, 1964. Once retired from the military, Charles moved on to his second career in automobile sales and never looked back. Concentrating entirely on military sales with the new car department of Superior Pontiac, he gained a fine reputation and had a way of making sure when anyone bought a car from him it was pure joy and they couldn't wait to come back and buy another one. He had learned his unique and caring skills of negotiating with people from all his hard work on the family ranch in Chugwater, WY. In 1971 at the peak of his automobile sales career, Charles was ranked 7th in the nation for his sales at Pontiac Motor Division and had a client listing of over 7,800 customers. When

he retired from automobile sales, Charles burned up the road traveling down to his coastal get away which we all still call "The Trailer" in Port Aransas, TX, to spend quality time with his wife, friends, adult children and many grandchildren. Charles was a true gentleman from The Greatest Generation, and leaves a long legacy of love and kindness for all who knew him and all who crossed his path.

Charles was preceded in death by his infant son Joseph Arnold, son Mickey Arnold, daughter-in-law Dawn Arnold and his devoted and loving wife of 74 years, Mary Louise Arnold. Charles is survived by his daughter Mary Dunford and husband Dan Pomerening, daughter Jeanne Moursund and husband Bowen, son Jameson Arnold and wife Kimberly, daughter-in-law JoAnn Arnold, brother Rex Arnold and wife Darlene, sister Janet Bliss, 13 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren, 1 great great grandchild, numerous nieces and nephews and his dear roommate and friend from The Heights, Al Summerfield.

The family would also like to recognize and thank The Heights of Bulverde and their outstanding staff for all their help and support throughout his stay at The Heights.

A Graveside Service with Military Honors will begin at 1:45 P.M. on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, 1520 Harry Wurzbach Road.

Cemetery Details

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Graveside Service with Military Honors

JUN 3. 1:45 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jamie So sorry for your loss.* ”

Joe Timmins - May 29, 2021 at 12:08 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Weldon Arnold.* ”



May 14, 2021 at 11:46 AM