



## Charles C. Shaw

August 30, 1929 - April 10, 2016

Asst. Chief Charles C. Shaw, age 86, passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, on Sunday, April 10.

He was born in San Antonio to Charles Robert Shaw and Grace Peterson Shaw on August 30, 1929.

He was raised in the shadow of the Alamo in a historic house that still sits on E. Crockett St. and served for many years at Fire Station No. 1, right behind the Alamo, as Assistant Chief and Fire Marshall. His career in the San Antonio Fire Dept. spanned 46 years.

He played offense and defense for the 1947 Texas high school state champion Brackenridge Eagles football team and also, while still in high school, won the San Antonio Golden Gloves heavyweight boxing crown. He served his community tirelessly.

He was a lifetime member of the Lions Club, including serving as president of the Founders Lions Club where he was especially proud of their support of the Texas Lions Camp for visually-impaired and physically-challenged kids.

He also served on the Boards of the Fiesta Flambeau Parade and the City

Employees Credit Union. He was also a long-time member of the Hermann Sons Grand Lodge, the Int'l Order of Odd Fellows and served as president of the Methodist Mens group at his church.

He also volunteered with Citizens On Patrol in San Antonio and in Plugerville, Texas, where he spent his retired years near family and remained very active in church and civic organizations.

But most of all, he was a loving husband, father and grandfather with a great zest for life. His adoration for his wife, Helen, was legendary among the staff at his nursing home. They were married 58 years and still held hands like it was their first date.

His granddaughter's favorite anecdote involves the time he escorted Elvis at the old Municipal Coliseum in 1956, claiming he had no idea who the singer was at the time.

He is survived by his wife, Helen Shelley Shaw; son Casey A. Shaw, daughter-in-law Lauren Hornburg Shaw and their son Cooper M. Shaw; daughter Linda Shaw Robinson, son-in-law Ira Robinson and their daughters McKenna Robinson Rowlett and Kelsey Robinson. He is also survived by his brother Christopher A. Shaw, sister-in-law Mary Jo Barbera Shaw and their children Christopher W. Shaw and Melody Shaw Fritchley.

Services will be held Saturday, April 16, in the Tips Memorial Chapel at Mission Burial Park North, 20900 IH-10 West, San Antonio. Visitation begins at noon.

Funeral service at 1pm followed by a short ceremony at the gravesite with Firefighter honors.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Texas Lions Camp, PO Box 290247, Kerrville, TX 78029 or online at [www.lionscamp.com](http://www.lionscamp.com).