



David H. Bixby

January 27, 1923 - October 16, 2009

BIXBY

David Hugh Bixby, age 86, of San Antonio passed away quietly in his sleep on October 16, 2009. He was born January 27, 1923 in Ontario, California and graduated Berkeley University in California. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ethel Marie Nevison Bixby. David served as a B-17 pilot for the U.S. Army Air Corp. in WW II with 35 combat missions in the European Theater. He enlisted on August 31, 1942 and separated from the military on August 4, 1945 having been awarded the Good Conduct Medal, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the European African Middle Eastern Service Medal, and an Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters. David Bixby had a career as an entomologist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Following his Civil Service retirement, he owned and managed a plant nursery in Brackettville, Texas having retired to Ft. Clark Springs. Having lived in California, Oregon, Arizona, Hawaii, Brownsville, Bulverde, San Antonio, Eagle Pass, and Abilene, Texas, David Bixby chose to retire at Madison Estates Retirement Community in San Antonio where he has resided for the last 13 years. An avid photographer, a proficient computer "guru" in technology who printed the Madison newsletter including the 6th floor happenings and greenhouse manager at Madison for many years, as well as a world traveler and "Grandpa" to any who needed one, David Bixby was a loving supportive family man who lived actively and productively many years with his faithful dog, Curly until ill health overtook

him. David Bixby is predeceased by his wife, Ethel Marie Nevison Bixby and his parents Elisabeth Davis Bixby and Hugh Carlisle Bixby. He is survived by his son, Bruce David Bixby and his wife Debbie; daughters Dorothy Marie Bixby West and her husband Bruce; Marilyn Jean Bixby Barry and her husband Richard; and Barbara Joan Bixby Goodell and her husband Mark. Grandchildren are Jana Brooke Bixby Horn and her husband Mark; Andrea Michelle Barry Luu and her husband Philip; Shane Allen Barry; and Kristen Leigh Bixby Bartis and her husband Mike. In addition, David is survived by six great-grandchildren; Victoria, Brady, Elizabeth, Wesley, Jozy, and Makayla. David was a loving supportive husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend.

SERVICES

A memorial service for friends will be held at Madison Estates, 8645 Fredericksburg Road, San Antonio, Texas Sunday October 18, 2009 at 2:00 P.M. At a later date, family will have a "Celebration of Life" in fond memory of our Dad/Grandpa/Poppy. Memorial contributions may be made to the Disabled American Veterans Association.

Tribute Wall

SP

“ Dear Bixby Family:

Please accept my deepest sympathies on the loss of your beloved. There are never any right words to express how deeply sad I am for the pain your family is enduring at this difficult time.

Although I did not have the honor an

Senator Leticia Van de Putte - November 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *my grandfather gave me chance of patience when i was having a hard time growing up. his love and fortitude gave me the edge i needed to grow up, i am now a acoplished tattoo artist and going to culinary school i own my tattoo shop and thank to him and my*

Shane A Barry - October 31, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *When I started work for the USDA in El Paso, Texas in 1962, Dave was one of my first supervisors. He was a happy go lucky guy and one that I learned much from. I'm saddened about his passing. God Bless all of his surviving family members.*

Dick Backus - October 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ *I love you Poppy! I will always remember you. Thank you for how you loved your country and our family. You inspired many.*

Victoria Catchings - October 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Bruce, Debbie and family - I have such fond memories of your dad. I can vividly see Bruce and his dad laughing together in my mind's eye. You all were so good to him. You were such a wonderful, devoted family. Our prayers are with you as you miss him

Sara Bass - October 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ Sincere heartfelt condolences from the staff in the loss of your father. Our prayers and blessings go out to the families of David Bixby.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice Abilene Parole Office - October 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ On behalf of our staff, I would like to offer our condolences to your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Barr Roofing Company - October 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ We miss you, Grandpa, but we are glad you are free from the wordly pains. Besides, we know we will see you again! Much love...

Luu Family - October 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ I am so very sorry for the loss of you father. My thoughts and prayers are with you and all your family.

Paul & Kerry Bell - October 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ My mother, Margaret Bandy, shared many meals at the Madison with David. I was there a few times to talk to David. It was obvious he was a good man. Another WWII hero has left this world. God be with him.

John Bandy - October 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ I offer my condolences to Mr. Bixby's family. I believe you are the same Mr. Bixby that lived next door to my family 53 years ago on West Cheryl Dr. Barbara and I were friends for the couple of years you lived there. My prayers and blessings to you all

Michelle Frisch Hill - October 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AO

“ On behalf of the Disabled American Veterans my sincere condolences to the family.
Albert Owens
Chaplain Dept. of Texas
Disabled American Veterans

Albert Owens - October 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ My condolences to your family. I work for All Care and it was an honor to have met Mr. Bixby. As God would have it, there was a B 17 in town on Friday and Mr. Bixby came to my mind. Rest in peace Mr. Bixby .

Ricardo B. Charles - October 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Extending our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your loved one.*

Julian Cruz & Staff at Oak Hills Mortuary - October 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM