



## Elmer F Kettler

July 23, 1917 - October 25, 2009

Elmer Fritz Kettler passed away October 25, 2009 in Floresville, Texas. Born July 23, 1917 in Taylor, Texas, he was preceded in death by his wife of 61 years Marie Raschke Kettler, parents Fritz Kettler and Emma Muegge Kettler, sister Hattie Kettler Seaholm, and cousin Ruby Muegge Byrd. He is survived by a daughter, Patsy Kettler Greiner of San Marcos; two grandchildren, Stacy Greiner of Dallas and Justin Greiner of Round Rock; and two great-grandsons, Tyler and Dylan Greiner of New Braunfels. Elmer served his country in the Army in World War II in Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, and Rhineland. He was decorated with the American Theater and EAMR Campaign, Good Conduct, and World War II Victory medals with four Bronze Stars. Elmer and Marie married June 9, 1946 in Houston. They resided in San Antonio for 50 years, where Elmer served the Davy Crockett Masonic Lodge and St. John's Lutheran Church. In 1996 they made their home in New Braunfels. Elmer held dual membership with the New Braunfels Lodge. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in New Braunfels. An avid hunter and fisherman, Elmer loved the outdoors. Known by his many friends as Butch or Buster, Elmer had a knack for building close friendships with anyone he met and was humbled and honored when awarded the Golden Trowel by the Masonic Lodge. The family would like to express sincere thanks to his extended family at the Veterans Home in Floresville where he lived the last two years. Visitation will be a 2:00 p.m. Thursday, October 29, 2009 at the Mausoleum Chapel followed by a Masonic graveside service at 3:00 p.m. at

Mission Park North Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

JT

“ Dearest Patsy, I was saddened to learn of your Dad's passing. I remember the last time that I was able to visit with him, he treated me as if I was part of the family and openly welcomed me into his home. If I remember correctly, he even gave me the thir

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**Joe Tippett** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Dear Patsy, We are sorry to hear of your fathers passing. He was 'the greatest generation'. We send our condolences during this tough time.

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**Ralph & Pauline Morgan** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ Patsy - Please know that the Merriweather family is thinking of all of the Greiner family and the passing of your father. God blessed you with a wonderful father, and we pray that your faith in Him will be a comfort to you.

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**Kelli Merriweather** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Dear Patsy and family, I was very sorry to read of your dear dad's death. He was always so nice to me when I was freeloading on you all during college! The obituary in the paper was very nice, and I hope that you had a lovely and meaningful ceremony.

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**lucella moffatt whatley** - October 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Dear Patsy: I am so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing and that I won't be able to attend his services tomorrow. You and your whole family will be in my prayers and I hope we can get in touch sometime later on to catch up - I feel so bad that I wasn't*

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**Jan Tarrillion Scecina** - October 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM