



Ferdinand Rudolph Koch

October 31, 1920 - March 12, 2005

Ferdinand Rudolph Koch, born to Rudolph and Ida Koch, October 31, 1920, having a brother, Rudy, and 2 sisters, Frances Hillje and Edith Conrad. His grandparents and mother were German immigrants. He was a graduate of Harlandale H.S. He entered the Army Air Corps in 1942, serving 3 1/2 years during WWII. Ferdy married his wartime sweetheart, Joyce Sauermilch in 1946. He attended Trinity U., Texas A&M, and UT of Austin, graduating in 1950 with a BSME. He was employed with CPSB until his retirement in 1982. Ferdy became a Christian by his loving wife's influence. Cancer took Joyce's life in 1979. They helped organize Highland Hills Baptist Church. He is a member of Baptist Temple, and also attends CHFBC. Survivors include son Mark and wife Debbie, their two girls Angie and Jenna, of California; daughter Molly and husband, Joe E. Groff, their two children Joe E. Jr. and Theresa; sisters Frances Hillje and Edith Conrad; Barbara Neese, a long time friend and companion. Ferdy transported cancer patients for ACS. In lieu of flowers, donations to American Cancer Society is suggested.

Services

A visitation will be held at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North from 5-8P.M., Tuesday, March 15, 2005. A graveside service will be held at San Jose Cemetery on Wednesday, March 16, 2005 at 10 A.M.

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Molly, Joey, and family,
We want to convey our sincerest sympathy to you concerning the loss of your dear father. You are in our thoughts and prayers. May God give you strength and comfort during this sorrowful time.
God bless you,

Terry and Marian Beck Hersum - March 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM

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“ My sincere condolences to the family. Ferdie was one of my bridge partners and I will miss his wonderful smile.

Shirley Ruedrich - March 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM

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

Directors & Staff at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North - March 13, 2005 at 12:00 AM