



Franklin Hawkinson

September 17, 1910 - September 4, 2007

Franklin E.L. Hawkinson died peacefully in his sleep Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2007, just 13 days shy of his 97th birthday. Frank was born Sept. 17, 1910 in St. Paul, MN, where he graduated from the University of Minnesota with a B.A. in Mechanical Engineering. Frank started his working career during the Depression, selling printing equipment in the Midwest and southeastern U.S. He served in the U.S. Naval Reserves from 1942 to 1956 as a Navigator in the Anti-Submarine Warfare Division. After his active naval duty in World War II, he designed and installed the satellite communication arrays worldwide for NASA's tracking stations and other companies. At his retirement, he was working for Lockheed Corp. Frank was a Plankowner of the Aircraft Carrier USS Abraham Lincoln, a life member of the US Navy League, and a member of the Baptist Health System Foundation and the St. Mark's Episcopal Church. He was a Freemason and a strong supporter of the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, the Red Cross and Salvation Army. An avid fisherman, Frank particularly enjoyed his time aboard boats and his ability to help numerous young family members succeed in life. Frank was preceded in death by his parents, Carl Johan and Maria Andersson Hawkinson; loving wives Billie Hawkinson and Jamie Shaver Hawkinson; and younger brothers Roy W., Gordon D., and Warren S. Hawkinson. He is survived by sisters-in-law Lorraine Hawkinson and Mary Hawkinson; nieces Sharon Chaz Misenheimer, Kristi Rick Glass, JoAnn Hanson, Carol Hawkinson and Marilyn Wayne Hickey, nephews Bobby Campbell and Doug Linda Hawkinson; and many

grandnieces and grandnephews. Frank especially will be missed by his grandnephew, Jack Dowell, who looked after his medical and personal affairs; his devoted caregiver, Ruth Yoquelet; and his cat, Coquette. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate memorials sent to M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, P.O. Box 4486, Houston, TX 77210.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr. Hawkinson was a great man and he will be missed. I am glad to have had the pleasure of knowing him during my life.*

Debbie Jacobs - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *The Alamo Council, Navy League extends their condolences on the passing of CDR Hawkinson. We will observe a moment of silent prayer in his honor at our next luncheon meeting of Tuesday, 25 Sep 2007.*

Walt Wilson, President

CAPT Walt Wilson, USN Ret - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Uncle Frank will be missed by our family. He was blessed to have lead such an interesting and long life. He was a very generous and caring man who took much pride in his country and his family.*

Susan Hawkinson-Canole - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Uncle Frank was a positive influence in my life. As his only nephew he spent alot of time talking with me. When we lived in Dallas, I got to know he and Billie quite well. He will be missed*

Douglas Hawkinson - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ I will always remember the letters and phone calls we shared over the last few years. Although we never met, Frank's generosity and words of wisdom helped to steer my life in a succesful direction. He will be missed by all and I am honored to have known

Steve Hawkinson - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM