



Gerald C. Yawn

October 21, 1933 - December 25, 2020

Gerald C. Yawn (87) passed away from complications of COVID-19 on December 25, 2020 in San Antonio, TX. His family mourns the loss of their much loved father.

Jerry was a retired Air Force Master Sergeant who spent 23 years as a Russian and German linguist supporting U.S. intelligence operations. He was mostly stationed in Germany, including two tours in Berlin, in addition to tours in England and Japan. Jerry was an avid genealogist and a deacon at Trinity Baptist Church.

He was predeceased by his wife of 65 years, Tommie (Riley) Yawn in 2018; and is survived by daughters Rhoda Yawn of New Orleans, LA; Rhonda Honegger (Harold) of Manassas, VA; grandchildren Jon Milliken (Stacey); Lauren Milliken; Genevieve Milliken; Riley Leonhardt; and Madeline Honegger; great-grandchildren Bernard and Preston Milliken; brothers Edward Yawn and Kenneth Yawn.

Due to risks from the pandemic, no services will be held. The family will host a memorial service at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery, where Jerry will be buried, later in the spring when it is safe to do so. Donations in-lieu of flowers may be sent in his name to the Air Force Aid Society at afas.org.

Tribute Wall

DH

“ I'm so sorry to learn of Jerry's passing. I also had no idea that Tommie had passed. I've lived in Tennessee for years and have poor health. I lost touch, and I am so sorry.

I used to have lunch with Jerry daily in the early 90's. We worked together at Sunjet and for Paul Tillman. I loved Jerry's dog stories, particularly about Buster and Charlie. Though I never met Tommie, I always felt like I knew her. Jerry loved bragging about her. He really loved his wonderful wife! He talked about you with such pride, also. I have such fond memories of my friend Jerry during an otherwise difficult time.

I hope God Blesses you and gives you peace during the times your hearts hurt, and always.

Dara Hinson - May 21, 2021 at 12:25 AM

RJ

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family! I loved both Gerry and Tommie! Spent many a Thanksgiving with them and you Rhoda and it was always a great day together. I will always remember them both fondly and especially at Thanksgiving!

Rhonda Jones

Rhonda Jones - January 10, 2021 at 11:59 PM

RB

“ Dear Rhoda...I was just trying to find the best way to contact you in New Orleans when I read about your father. I of course remember your parents while we were attending High School in Berlin. They were exceptional and your mother always gave me great advice. The country salutes your father for his service and the wonderful life he led after retiring from The Armed Forces.

I hope you find peace with strength knowing that your father is once again with your mother. When Christmas Day arrives you will always feel the presence of the Lord's birthday and the beginning of your father's new extended life.

I wish you, Rhonda and the extended Yawn family all the blessings in the world. Being a military brat (and veteran) myself you already know how special this life is.

Thank you for your friendship all these years and above all....thank Jesus for taking care of your parents.

*Love always...your friend,
Richard Black*

Richard Black - January 08, 2021 at 01:59 PM

PL

“ Skip and I remember Gerry and Tommie with fondness from the Mission City Steward's Club. I loved Tommie's passion and heartfelt love for her Pugs. Gerry seemed to delight in her enthusiasm. It was hard to imagine one without the other. We send our deepest condolences and much love to your family.

Pamela Landry - January 08, 2021 at 10:01 AM

MB

“ To the family of dear Gerry. I am so sorry not to have known of his passing before today, but even a bit late we (Joe Brake) and I want you to know how much we loved and admired and appreciated him and how much we missed him after we were no longer able to visit. He was so kind to come several years ago and help me in our organizing of historical documents for the archives at Trinity Baptist. He met with the group I led once a week for a few hours, facilitated our getting a computer put into our workroom and did a lot of printing and organizing for us - invaluable work! - and when he had a slow moment he looked up my family and our home address (which is now part of the church property) in various public records, all of which were very interesting to us. Aside from that, he became a friend and we really enjoyed knowing him. He was interesting and fun to work with. I'm sure that you, the family remaining from Tommie and Gerry, are wonderful people because they were wonderful! So we offer deep sympathy to you on his passing and prayers that the Lord God, Whom he and Tommie served so well for so long, will give you comfort and peace during this time. We look forward to the time when there will be a memorial service that we can all attend. Blessings, dear Yawn family, from Marjorie and Joe Brake

Marjorie and Joe Brakek - January 07, 2021 at 04:12 PM

JK

“ Gerald and I loved to share breakfast at Rita's. He was a great friend. He is missed.

Jim Kersey - January 07, 2021 at 10:49 AM