



John Henry Finley, Sr.

November 4, 1928 - July 22, 2010

FINLEY

John Henry Jack Finley, Sr. passed away on Thursday, July 22, 2010. Jack was born to Mary Claire Bogel and Raymond Aloysius Finley in Staten Island, NY in 1928. A WWII Navy veteran, serving from 1945-1953, the Navy brought Dad to Texas and Louisiana. When docked in the Port of Beaumont, on a shore leave, Dad took a bet to climb a high staircase on the outside of Hotel Dieu Hospital. Upon making it to the very top, he fainted falling through the O.R. window. The circulating room nurse was responsible for assisting this sailor out. It was this chance meeting where Dad met Eloise, the love of his life, his "Terre Rouge". They were married for 28 years. Dad lived in San Antonio a majority of his life. He moved to Austin in 2005 to be close to his daughter. Despite the many years away, Dad never lost his New York accent. He is survived by his daughter, Susan Eileen Finley of Austin, Texas; son, John Henry Finley Jr. of San Antonio, Texas and several grandchildren; and his beloved dog Freckles. Dad was preceded in death by his wife Eloise in March 1991. Dad had a zest for life, loved good jokes, and was a strong man who maintained a positive attitude, especially as he faced many illnesses. Dad taught me so much and our time in Austin was a special blessing. All of his family and friends will truly miss him and his sense of humor. Our heartfelt thanks to the special team of doctors, nurses and therapists whom we so loved and trusted: Dr. Darren Kocs and his team, Dr. John Ziebert, Dr. Michael Romain, Dr. Sami Aboumater, Dr. Esther Fields, Whitney his adorable speech

therapist and the Round Rock ICU team, particularly Mindy, Kim, Mary, Angie and Cheryl who treated Dad with dignity, love and compassion.

SERVICES

Visitation will be from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Sunday, July 25, 2010 at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North with Rosary/Vigil at 6:30 PM. A Funeral Service will begin at 1:00 PM on Monday, July 26, 2010 at the Fred Tips Mausoleum Chapel at Mission Burial Park North, 20900 West IH 10. San Antonio TX 78257. Interment will follow in Mission Burial Park North.

Tribute Wall

BT

“ July 26, 2010

Susan, you and your family are in our prayers and thoughts. I will always remember your Dad. He was a very special man and you and your family have our deepest sympathy. May God be with you at this time and grant you peace and love. God

Brenda Thomas - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ July 26, 2010

I will remember Jack Finley and Eloise, because all that made them the people they were became the qualities in a dedicated and loving daughter. Sue, the entire Harasymczuk and Slovik families are sending big healing hugs from the Northe

Christine Harasymczuk - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ July 28, 2010

Sue! My parents and I were saddened to hear about your dad. I hope you and your family bounce back quickly with the happy thought that he and your mom are reunited and building a new larger place for all of you to arrive at in the dista

Steve Endsley - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ July 28, 2010

Hi Sus, I am so very sorry to hear this news, my heartfelt condolences and thoughts and prayers are extended to you and your family.....eHug, Bucky

transcribed from www.mysa.com by Susie

Richard Buckta - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ July 28, 2010

Monday afternoon, we found ourselves sharing a table with Jack's neighbors from his new Austin area home. I thought it spoke of Jack's life among friends that two of the longest friends - back to the Beaumont Hotel Dieu days - and three

Jim and Ruth Aubey - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ July 28, 2010

Knew both your parents well both in Beaumont and later in San Antonio. I graduated from Lamar Tech with your Dad and Jim Aubey. I remember both you and your brother when you all lived in the garage apartment in Beaumont. Sorry for your

Bobby Taylor - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ July 29, 2010

Susie...our family embraces you with our love and prayers. May you feel God's comforting grace and peace at this sad time. Your Mom and Dad are smiling down on you with great pride for the wonderful love and dedication you share with ot

Peggy, John, Kyle and Clark Maxwell - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ August 1, 2010

My Dearest Austin Dad,

I love those words as that is what you told me when my Dad passed away. I can not begin to express how Blessed I was to be there with you, our beloved Susan and Joe as you passed to a place of no pain or illness

Katie and Mike Dudley - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ July 25, 2010

Jack was a neighbor of mine as a teenager in San Antonio. I always picture him with a mischievous smile, a cutting wit and a chuckle. My deepest sympathy go out to Sue & John Jr. and your family and friends.

Lisa Rucker McDaniel

Lisa McDaniel - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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*Lisa Rucker McDaniel
Boe*

Lisa Rucker McDaniel - August 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ *Sue may the Grace of God be with you now and forever. The blessings, friendship, happiness and laughter that Jack brought into the Lyon and Robinette family is/was very special with your dad. Jack was there for us when dad was ill and leaving this earth*

Gaylan & Michelle Lyon - August 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ July 26, 2010

Susan,

You continue to be in my thoughts and in my prayers. I am asking that Jesus, the Great Comforter, will grant you a peace that passes beyond understanding; will strengthen you in the days and weeks ahead; and will comfort you in

Denise Gonzales - August 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Jack and I developed a close bond in his final months. He inspired us with his courage in the face of much adversity - an example for many. We will miss his easy smile, his humor, but most of all - his presence. May God grant him the rest he has earned.

Joe & Linda St.Clair - July 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Dear Finley 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 a

Senator Leticia Van de Putte - July 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Our prayers and thoughts go out to the family of our great friend and dear departed Jack Finley. We loved you so much and will miss you looking out for us and all the laughter and joy you brought to this family. Now he can laugh and be happy without all

Gaylan & Michelle Lyon - July 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Susie-we miss Jack. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Dr.. and Mrs Clay Skinner - July 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

NT

“ Susie, Heartfelt sorry at the loss of your father. I will always have fond memories of him from our conversations while I was there visiting. Always, Nicky

Nicky Troxclair - July 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I AM SO SORRY TO HAVE READ THAT YOUR FATHER JOHN HENRY FINLEY, SR. HAS PASSED. I READ THE NOTICE TONIGHT AT 9:00 PM AFTER THE SCHEDULED VISITATION AND ROSARY/VIGIL.

MY HEARTFELT REGRET IS THAT I DIDN'T HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT WITH "JACK" AND HIS

MARGARET J. FINLEY - July 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM