



Joseph H. Conner

July 30, 1955 - October 14, 2008

Joseph Hubert Conner, 73, passed away October 14, 2008 after a long, courageous battle with cancer. Born July 30, 1935 to John Okie and Clara Conner in San Antonio, he graduated from Harlandale High School and attended San Antonio College before serving in the United States Army from 1954-57.

A San Antonio firefighter for 21 years, Captain Conner was known as "Baby Joe". He enjoyed the camaraderie of the fire station and had many friends in the department even after retiring. After retirement, he became co-owner of Medals and Awards International.

Throughout his life, he loved to hunt and fish and spent as much time as possible at the coast. Joe also loved to bowl and had many friends at the former Southside Bowling Lanes. He was a member of the Harlandale Masonic Blue Lodge, the Alzafar Shriners and the Scottish Rite. The life of the party, Joe will best be remembered for his wit, humor, and legacy of storytelling, managing to tell jokes to the nurses and bring laughter to his friends and family even during his illness, never losing his humor. He was a great cook, known for his prized pies baked from scratch and delicious pecan praline candy. And, he enjoyed gardening and growing tomatoes.

A generous and giving husband, father, and grandfather, family was very important to him. He is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Elaine; daughter, Sheryl Sepulveda and husband Ruben; son, Scott Conner and wife Tracie; five grandchildren, Sophia, Sydney, Jacob Sepulveda, and Thomas

and Clara Conner. He is also survived by sisters, Mary Harold Zirkel, Pat Cookie Cornelius, all of Medina City, and brothers, Mike and Paul Conner; sister-in-law Cora Helen Conner of Mesa, Arizona; a beloved niece, Carol Sue Kintigh of San Antonio, and nephew, Robert Winkler of League City, in addition to many relatives and close friends he considered family. He will be missed by his loyal dog, Cookie. He was preceded in death by his brother, John Okie Conner, and sisters, Lucy Howard and Cecilia Conner.

The family is grateful to Dr. David Gordon and his wonderful staff, including Norma, Elizabeth, Bailey, Carmen, and Jennifer for their loving hearts in taking great care of Joe, and a special thank you to his neighbors for their support. In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Joe's name to the Scottish Rite Children's Hospital, PO Box 199300, Dallas, Tx. 75219.

Services

Visitation will be Sunday, October 19, 2008 from 4-7 pm at Mission Park South. Funeral services will be Monday, October 20, 2008 at 9:30 am at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. Internment will follow at Ft. Sam Houston Cemetary

Tribute Wall

KA

“ Elaine, Scotty, and Sherry,
I am so saddened to hear of Joe's passing. I was thinking of him out of nowhere while washing dishes this past week and when Barbara gave us the news I knew he must have been with me at that moment! How else do I explain it? I

KathyJoFranklinWhite - November 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Dear Conner Family:

It is with deepest sadness that I extend my condolences to you on the loss of your beloved.

As Chair of the Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs and Military Installations, I am sincerely thankful for his valiant service and ded

Sen. Leticia Van de Putte - November 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GV

“ Sheryl and family,

I am so sorry for your loss. I pray for peace and comfort in the days to come. I know your dad was special; you are the part of him that will continue to live and affect the lives of his grandchildren. Cherish his memory. Your frie

Gloria Vasquez - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ We send our sincerest condolences to your family for your loss of such a wonderful man, "Uncle Joe".

Michael & Stacy Conner - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ My heartfelt condolences I remember my dad, Andy Seidel and Jimmy up at Stanley's Ice House

Kathi Seidel Pierce - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ Sheryl, My family and I offer our sympathies to you and your family in this time of need. We know God will give you the strength to cope with everything that has happened. Kristen and my girls will keep you and your family in our prayers.
Greg Rea

Greg Rea - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ I would like to send my condolences to the family and like to say I consider it a pleasure and honor to have known Joe and to have worked with him a few times in the Dept. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Joe was truly a good man.

Chuck Robinson Retired SAFD - October 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ Joseph H. Conner

alfred j. andreolli - October 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Sheryl, as a long time friend and colleague, my prayers and thoughts go out to you, your Mom, your brother and your entire family. I had only met your Dad a couple of times, but even then I realized what a great man he was. Bless You and Yours. Eileen

Eileen Willis - October 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ To Uncle Joe's entire family, I am so sorry for your loss and yall are in my prayers. What a great man he was and I am so proud to have him as my uncle.

Chuck Conner, Jr.

Chuck Conner, Jr - October 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Sheryl, I am so sorry about your father. Bob and I will keep you in our prayers and thoughts during this time.

Linda Burton - October 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM