



Marvin A. Klann

March 29, 1932 - January 10, 2009

Marvin August Klann, 76, died peacefully Saturday morning, January 10, 2009, after suffering a stroke on New Year's Day.

Marvin was born March 29, 1932, in Neillsville, Wis., to August Karl Klann and Anna Marie Klann. He was baptized April 24, 1932, into the Lutheran faith. Marvin's character and work ethic were developed during his youth, working on the family's dairy farm and excelling in academics at the Lutheran schools he attended. His time spent playing football in high school was the start of a lifelong passion for the game of football.

At 18, Marvin enlisted in the Air Force and served in the occupation forces in Germany and France following World War II. It was the Air Force that brought Marvin to San Antonio, where he met a USO volunteer, Katie Hoover of Floresville.

Marvin was transferred to California following his discharge September 19, 1954. Katie joined Marvin in Los Angeles and became his bride on November 4, 1954. In Los Angeles, Marvin attended vocational school and received training as a diesel mechanic. He and Katie were blessed by the birth of their first daughter in 1955.

They moved to Houston, where he was employed by Mustang Tractor &

Equipment Co. Over the next decade, Marvin advanced from mechanic to service manager. Four more children, three girls and a boy, were added to the family.

Marvin relocated his family to San Antonio in 1968 and joined Holt Machinery. He worked there nearly 20 years before accepting employment with Austin Engineering.

Marvin worked hard all his life to provide a good living for his family and continued to work independently following his retirement. Most recently, Marvin operated Mars Glass Magic windshield repair and distributed AMSOIL products.

Marvin was a longtime member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and currently attended Mount Calvary Lutheran Church. Football remained one of his passions, and Marvin enjoyed watching games at McCollum High School, where his son is head football coach. As a lifelong learner, Marvin also was an avid reader of technical material and a self-taught computer programmer.

Marvin is survived by his wife, Katie, and five children: Lucy English and spouse Terry of Barnseville, Ga., Linda Klann of Lincoln, Neb., Loretta Swenseth and spouse Scott of Lincoln, Neb., Carl Klann and spouse Kristie of San Antonio, and Marvilyn Reyes and spouse Antonio of Austin. He is also survived by his brother, Walter Klann and spouse Janet of Glendale, Ariz., a brother-in-law Robert Hoover and spouse Shirley of Floresville. Additional survivors include 14 grandchildren: Kerry Kinser, Katie Monroe, Sara English, Christopher Klann, Robert Carson, Kimberly Carson, Amber Swenseth, Rebecca Swenseth, Charles Swenseth, Aaron Swenseth, Lyndsey Klann, Landry Klann, David Reyes, and Anna Reyes; 1 great-grandchild, John Carson; and various cousins, nieces and nephews.

After a sweet goodbye to his bride of 54 years, Marvin August passed gently into the love and presence of his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Tribute Wall

BM

“ *Katie and family,*

My sincere condolences to the Klann family.

I will certainly miss Marvin. I am one of his AMSOIL dealers.

Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: For we wa

Bruce Melcher - January 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ *I met Marvin at Church, he was great person and he will be missed.*

Bill Johnson - January 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *Marvin A. Klann*

Jeff A. Peak - January 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *We will miss our good friend and business partner Marvin Klann. What a dedicated and loyal worker with incredible independence and self sufficiency would be a brief description of our friend.*

We first met Marvin in 1989 when he was the shop foreman at

David & Carol Bell - January 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *May the Love of Our Lord Jesus Christ bring comfort to all who loved Marvin whose faith has saved him.
As Christians we know That he is with the Lord and we believe that we will meet again.*

Rev. James Haupt - January 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ *Marvin was my father-in-law. He was a second father to me since I was only 7 when my birth father died. Marvin was a loving, kind person, one who I looked up to as a role model. He was always there to listen about my personal and work life. We shared inte*

Antonio Reyes - January 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TN

“ *I am sorry to hear about Marvin's death. It may be sad to everyone he left behind but the thought of him in heaven should be a comfort to all.*

Todd Nemitz - January 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *I FEEL HONORED TO BE ASKED TO WRITE A LINE HERE ABOUT MARVIN KLANN. MY WIFE OF 57 YEARS AND ME WENT TO THE JUNIOR PROM IN NEILLSVILLE, WI. IN THE 1949-50 HIGH SCHOOL YEAR AT NEILLSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL WITH MARVIN AND HIS FRIEND. HAD SUPPER BEFORE THE PROM AT*

DON SCHUTTE - January 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM