



Norman Smith Edwards

July 24, 1922 - October 23, 2008

Norman Smith Edwards, age 86, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, December 23, 2008 with his family by his side.

Norman was born in Selma, Alabama on July 24, 1922. He is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Naomi Foster Edwards; his parents, Edna Mae Edwards and Stennis Edwards; brothers, Nathan Edwards, Tom Edwards, and sister, Willetta Melton. He is survived by his daughter, Suzanne Gresham; son, Foster Carole Edwards; four grandchildren, Eric Stacey Edwards, Christopher Lynn Gresham, Heather Craig Pool, Courtney Andrew Schumacher; and five great-grandchildren. He was the consummate father and grandfather. He was generous, loving, and kind. His care and concern for his family was paramount as he spent the last years of his life as joyful caregiver to his wife of 63 years, Naomi.

Norman graduated from high school in Selma, Alabama, attended Tulane University in New Orleans, and was Chief Master Sergeant in the United States Air Force. His military career began in World War II as a radio operator on a B-17. His combat tour resulted in his being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal multiple times. He transitioned into the education training field and was one of the first Chief Master Sergeants E-9 in the Air Force.

He was a lifetime member and Chairman Emeritus of the San Antonio Carousel Foundation, a Shriner, and was a devout member of the Disciples of Christ Christian Church.

Visitation will be held on Monday, December 29th from 6 – 8 pm at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, 1700 SE Military Drive, San Antonio, Texas. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, December 30th at 11:30 am at Mission Park, with interment to follow at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, 1520 Harry Wurzbach Road.

Tribute Wall

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“ Foster and Suzanne we send you our Heartfelt Sympathy. Your mom and dad were great people. We were in the Carroset Foundation with your parents and enjoyed working with Norm and Naomi. May God Bless all of you. Love Dom and Irv as Norm always called me

Dom and Irva Scaramozi - December 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM