



Reuben Edwin Gold

August 19, 1925 - January 20, 2016

Reuben Edwin Gold passed away on January 20, 2016, after a brief illness. Reuben was born on August 19, 1925, to Edwin and Meta Gold in Fredericksburg, Texas. He grew up on the family farm outside of Fredericksburg, and graduated from Fredericksburg High School in 1943. As a young man, Reuben served in the U.S. Army, including time in Japan and Korea, working as both an MP and in the signal core. He later joined Roegelein Provision Company, in San Antonio, where he worked for over 30 years, rising to the position of company credit manager.

Reuben's first wife, Eileen, predeceased him in 1983 after a happy marriage of over 30 years. In 1996, Reuben married Margy Honeck, whom he adored, and who survives him. Reuben is also survived by his sisters Gladys Eckart husband Eric and Loreen Nocker husband John. His children with Eileen, Dennis wife Judy Walker, Elaine Hansen husband Michael, Nathan wife Sharon, and Cara Pfeffer husband Glenn, also survive. Reuben's passing leaves grandchildren Alex Gold, Laura Gold, Jackson Pfeffer, Bailey Gold, Graham Gold, and Karinne Pfeffer. He will also be missed by Margy's children Susie May, Steve Honek, Jeffrey Honek, Karen Garrett, Stuart Honek, and their respective spouses, children, and grandchildren. Reuben enthusiastically adopted Margy's family as his own.

Reuben was a kind, honest, hardworking, humble, and honorable man. He

was also an incorrigible optimist and unfailingly cheerful, largely due to his deep faith in God. Reuben was always generous with his time and money, giving of both to things he believed in and enjoyed. At various times during his long and happy life, he was a Sunday School teacher and superintendent, church choir member, treasurer and president of the Gethsemane Lutheran Church congregation, board member at Lutheran General Hospital, president of his professional credit manager association, treasurer of the Band Parents organization at Robert E. Lee High school, and an active league bowler. He once bowled a 290 game. In addition to his various official roles, he also spent many hours of his personal time visiting the sick, driving elderly friends to medical appointments, and providing service of all kinds to people in need.

Reuben loved to sing and make music, and passed that passion on to his children. As a young man, he taught himself to play the accordion, guitar, and harmonica by ear. He played in several bands in Gillespie County, and probably played almost all of the dance halls in the area, playing in Luckenbach long before it was cool. He also loved to travel, reaching many destinations that he only dreamed of seeing as a young boy growing up in Fredericksburg, Texas.

Reuben lived the type of quiet, humble life that sometimes goes unnoticed, but his undying desire to be of service to others, to live his deep faith in God every day of his life, and to face the future with unflagging optimism and courage, made him a true role model. His legacy of integrity, service, and deep love of friends and family made him a quiet and cheerful hero to many. We will miss him.

Viewing will be at Mission Park Funeral Chapel, 3401 Cherry Ridge, San Antonio from 3-5 pm on Sunday, January 24th. Funeral Services will be held at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 610 Avalon, San Antonio, at 10 am on Monday, January 25th, followed by internment at Meusebach Community

Cemetery, 5 miles south of Fredericksburg, TX on HWY 87, at 2 pm. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 610 Avalon Street, San Antonio, Texas, 78213.