



## Willis Emmett Kotzebue, Sr.

January 1, 1914 - November 28, 2005

Willis Emmett Kotzebue, Sr., age 91, of San Antonio, Texas, passed away November 28, 2005. He was born in Flatonia, Texas, January 1, 1914. Willis served in the National Guard. Willis was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, and a charter member of the Christian Fellowship Group. He retired in 1979 as a Linotype Operator at the San Antonio Light newspaper where he worked for 50 years. He was a member of S.A. Typographical Union No. 172. In the past, he also belonged to the Alamo Winnies, and Bluebonnet Good Sam RV Clubs. Willis and Lottie also enjoyed their cottage at Canyon Lake. Willis was preceded in death by his wife, Lottie, daughter, Shirley Ann, mother and father, and two brothers, Robert and Clifford. He is survived by daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Norman Lindell, son and daughter-in-law, Willis Bill and wife Marilyn, four grandchildren, Julie Lindell May, and husband Chip, Christopher Chris Lindell, and wife Erin, Elizabeth Kotzebue Rhoden and husband Derrell, and Kimberly Kotzebue and friend John Ahlstrom, III. Willis also had five great grandchildren, Lindy and Morgan May, Kaitlin and Christopher C.J. Lindell, and Courtney Rhoden. The family wishes to extend their thanks to the staff of Hearthstone Assisted Living where he lived the last six years; to Dr. Mitchell Curry and staff at N.E. Baptist Hospital; the staff at Morningside Manor; and the care from Vitas Hospice. Memorial contributions may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church 502 E. Nueva St. San Antonio, Texas 78205.



# Tribute Wall

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“ *Dear Elizabeth:  
Our sympathy to you and your family. May God bring you all peace  
and comfort  
Love, Dora and George Mower*

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**Dora Mower** - November 30, 2005 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I am so very sorry to have heard the sad news of Willis' passing. My  
father, Calvin Paul Frank's son to Linda Sophia Kotzebue, and  
Willis were cousins. Dad always spoke very well of him. My deepest  
condolences to the Kotzebue Family.*

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**Calesa Paulette Franké** - November 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM