

Allen C. Oestreich

January 9, 1926 - December 21, 2017

Allen C. Oestreich was born on Jan. 9, 1926, in Fredericksburg, Texas. He passed away on Thursday, Dec. 21, 2017 at the age of 91 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Cora and Paul Oestreich; his four siblings, Marvin Oestreich, Rena Nagel, Louise Nixon and Wallace Oestreich. He was also preceded in death by his son, Paul A. Oestreich, and granddaughter, Anna C. Barr.



Allen is survived by his wife of 67 years, Madeleine Land Oestreich and two daughters: Joanne Klaerner and husband, Patrick; Ginger Barr and husband, Michael; grandchildren, Emily Klaerner, Austin Klaerner, Carrie Oestreich Rumsey and husband, Aaron, Bradley Steiner and wife, Cynthia, and Joseph Barr; and four great-grandchildren.

Allen graduated from Fredericksburg High School in 1943. He was drafted into the Army Air Corps on Feb. 24, 1944 – exactly one month and 15 days after his 18th birthday. Allen was a radar mechanic who proudly served in Saipan and Okinawa until his discharge on June 1, 1946.

The only time Allen lived outside Fredericksburg was when he served his country overseas. He loved his community. Fredericksburg was his home. He never wanted to be anywhere else.

Allen was employed by the City of Fredericksburg Electric Department. He retired as Director of Public Works and Utilities in 1988 after 36 years with the city. In addition to his day job, he was a proud member of the Fredericksburg Volunteer Fire Department for 26 years, 10 years as Fire Chief.

Allen loved his family. He looked forward to the times the whole group got together at the house he built 68 years ago on Crockett Street. He liked to cook barbecue and drink beer in the backyard. A most important event each year was the day the family gathered to make deer sausage using a top secret family recipe.

He enjoyed road trips with Madeleine. Some of his happiest moments were family vacations at the beach in Corpus Christi.

We, his family, remember him as a good and hard-working man who always thought of others before himself. We will never forget his love for us.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, in the chapel of Schaetter Funeral Home with Chaplain William Karlson officiating. Monte Marshall was the vocalist, and Judy Hickerson, pianist.

Graveside services with military honors and interment followed at Greenwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers included Michael Barr, Joseph Barr, Patrick Klaerner, Austin Klaerner, Emily Klaerner, Brad Steiner and Don Nagel.

Visitation was held Friday evening and Saturday morning at the funeral chapel.

Memorials may be made to Hill Country Memorial Hospice or to a local charity of choice.

Arrangements were under the direction of
Schaetter Funeral Home.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent at

www.schaetter.com.