



William Joseph Howe

December 15, 1929 - April 29, 2011

William Joseph Howe, 81, died at 1:18 a.m. Friday, April 29, 2011 at his home. Born December 15, 1929 in Norman, Oklahoma, he was the son of William H. and Myrtle J. (Willcox) Howe. He graduated from the University Of Oklahoma School Of Engineering. While in college he was in the R.O.T.C. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict. He retired as an Electrical Engineer from the Olin Corporation after over 30 years of service and then worked at the Charles Melvin Price Support Center in Granite City until he again retired. Mr. Howe was a member of Brown Street Baptist Church where he served as a deacon, Sunday school teacher, and choir member. On November 26, 1955 in Alton, he married the former Norma Jean Saxby. She preceded him in death on January 17, 2007. Surviving are three sons, Gregory L. Howe and his wife Marilyn of Cedarville, Ohio, Douglas P. Howe of East Alton, and Bradley A. Howe and his wife Beth of Turin, Italy, four grandchildren, Zachary, Abigail, Jessica, and David Howe, and one sister, Elizabeth A. Clancy and her husband Erin of Norman, OK. Visitation will be from 4:00 – 8:00 pm on Tuesday at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Visitation will continue on Wednesday at 10:00 am at the Brown Street Baptist Church in Alton until time of funeral service at 11:00 am. Burial will be at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto. Memorials may be made to Brown Street Baptist Church, the Alzheimer's Association, or the United Methodist Village. Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements.

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“ *William Joseph Howe*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



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January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *One of the GREATEST memories ever, ...of my Dad, was of watching him read , re-read, study, make written notes about, and simply meditate on God's word. He lead his family by the examples of his own consistent walk with his precious Lord & savior Jesus Christ.*

Douglas Howe - March 17, 2017 at 02:00 AM



“ *I am so sorry for the loss of your father. I too know that pain. May it help you to know that the hearts of others are deeply touched by your loss. Although our hearts ache, confide in the God of all comfort to help you through this difficult time.*

(Psalms 34:18)

A. Jackson - May 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Greg, Doug, and Brad my thoughts and prayers go out to you and your families. Your father was a wonderful man, and I feel blessed to have known him.*

Colten Steiner - May 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ My Dad was a Loving, caring, and generous man who loved people. He was a quiet man who had a distinct relationship with God, and who devoted his spare time to the ministry of prayer for those in need, and giving financially to those he could help.

He taught others around him by example, and respected everyone, regardless of their position in life.

My Dad was stricken with the sixth-leading cause of death in America. A disease without a way to prevent it, cure it, or slow its progression. The Heartbreaking Disease of "ALZHEIMER'S" eventually kills, but not before it takes everything away from you and destroys every ounce of quality in your life.

Douglas Howe - May 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Uncle William was a wonderful man. He took good care of Aunt Jeannie. So sorry that he's gone. Praying for you all. Love to all.

Keri Rohde - May 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM