



Ed Goetze

May 11, 1932 - February 17, 2009

Graveside Services with full military honors for retired Air Force Col. Ed Goetze will be held on Monday, February 23, 2009 at 11:30 AM in the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery in Dallas, Texas.

Born in Vernon, Texas May 11, 1932 to George W. Goetze and Annetta Samuel Goetze, Col. Goetze passed away February 17, 2009 in Tyler, Texas. A graduate of Lubbock High School Class of '49 and Texas Tech Class of '54, Col. Goetze was selected by AFIT (Air Force Institute of Technology) to attend Arizona State University where he received a MBA in management. Entering the Air Force thru the ROTC program at Texas Tech, Col. Goetze became a command pilot of B52's and F4's with over 4900 flying hours. A veteran of 2 tours in Vietnam, he was awarded the Silver Star, the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Flying Cross with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal with 13 Oak Leaf Clusters and the Air Force Commendation Medal. Retiring from the military in 1984, Col. Goetze started his second career as Director of Operations for Studies & Requirements, United Technologies Corporation. He retired from UTC in 1990.

Ed was a talented musician in piano, clarinet and saxophone. An avid outdoorsman, he also loved fishing, bird-watching and all of nature.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Shirley Goetze of Lindale; Daughters, Pam Phillips & Kari Goetze, both of San Angelo; Son, Rob Goetze of Lindale; and 4 Grandchildren, Kyle Phillips, Mike Bloise, Jennifer Webb, and Sean Goetze. Honorary pallbearers will be the members of the Wrangler Fraternity of Texas Tech.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

Services under the direction of Caudle-Rutledge Funeral Directors in Lindale, Texas.

Tribute Wall

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“ You will all be in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Was very proud to witness the ceremony honoring Eddie Duke's service to our country. Love to all, Dede##imported-begin##Deanna Newman##imported-end##

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