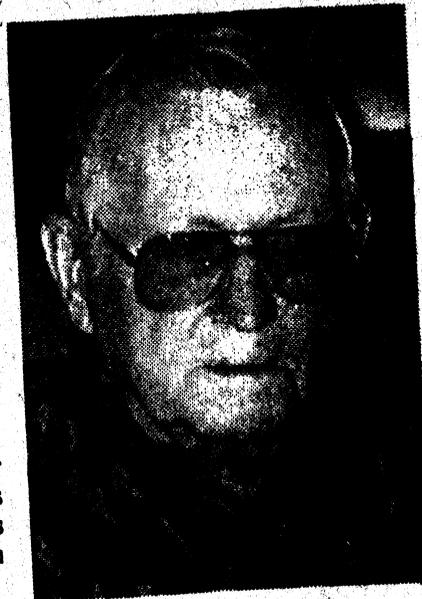


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TRINITY — A memorial service for James L. "Jim" Bartling, 76, of Trinity will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, 2004, at the Trinity Funeral Home, 316 Prospect Drive in Trinity.

Mr. Bartling died Wednesday, Oct. 13, after losing a long battle with Parkinson's disease.

He was born Feb. 13, 1928, in Freeman, S.D., the son of Elmer and Alvina Bartling. He spent his youth in Watertown, S.D. and was graduated from Watertown High School in 1946.

Upon completing high school, he joined the U.S. Air Force and was married to Estelle (Snooks) Small upon his return from military service in 1949.

After graduating from the University of South Dakota in 1954, he moved his family to Louisiana where he became involved in the oilfield business. That career would eventually take Mr. Bartling and his family to Texas, Wyoming and Colorado over the next several years.

He moved to Trinity in 1986 and was residing here at the time of his death.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and an older brother, William, who died shortly after birth.

Survivors include four children, Sandi McKenzie of Casper, Wyo., James E. Bartling of Chandler, Ariz., Kandi Bartling-John of Houston and Wendy Hagood of McKinney; a sister, Jan Barnes of Palm Desert, Calif.; his friend and former wife, Estelle of Houston; 15 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family has asked that no flowers be sent to the memorial service and instead ask Mr. Bartling's friends to remember him through a donation to the Parkinson's Foundation of Harris County, 7457 Harwin, Suite 308, Houston, Texas 77036-2025.

Trinity Funeral Home is directing the arrangements.