



ROBERT EDMOND DAVIES

Mr. Robert Edmond Davies, age 83 of Crockett, formerly of Kerrville and Dallas, passed away Sunday, June 27, 2004 in the East Texas Medical Center in Tyler of pneumonia after a long struggle with cerebral vasculitis.

Robert, fondly known as Bob by family and friends, was born in Dwight, Illinois to Herbert and Louise Davies on March 6, 1921. After graduating from Pontiac Township High School in 1939, he joined the Air National Guard and came to San Antonio. During pilot cadet training, he met Alice Jenah Mohn of Ingram. They were married on July 27, 1943 in the Chapel at Randolph Air Force Base after receiving his Wings. Iris Lock Chronis of Hunt, was Maid of Honor and Lt. Andrew J. Darst was best man. Lt. Davies was stationed at Moore Field, in Mission, where he served his country as a flight instructor in the Army Air Corps. During this time their daughter Suzanne, was born in November of 1944 in Dallas.

After the war, Bob honored Alice's preference for her native Texas' winters over the snow in Illinois. And they made Dallas, their home for over thirty years. Bob studied to be an aeronautical engineer, but eventually decided to become an architectural designer after serving under registered architects. His own firm became known as Robert Davies and Associates. Bob mentored many young graduates before starting out on their own.

In 1981, Bob and Alice moved to Kerrville, where Bob continued his custom architectural design work part-time, devoting more time to his hobby of building model airplanes from scratch. He was a member of the International Plastic Modelers' Society. His perfect scale models won many national and international awards. While in Kerrville, Bob served on the boards of the First United Methodist Church and the Tierra Linda Ranch. He drove to San Antonio once a week to volunteer at Wilford Hall Hospital and was chaplain for the local chapter of Sons of the American Revolution. He also helped Alice established a butterfly garden at the Riverside Nature Center. After 23 years at Tierra Linda Ranch in the Texas Hill Country, Bob and Alice moved to the Piney Woods of East Texas in April of 2003 to their

daughter and son-in-law in Crockett. Soon after moving to Crockett, Bob became ill.

Bob Davies is survived by his wife of 61 years, Alice Jenah Davies, of Crockett; daughter and son-in-law Suzanne and Louis Cook, of Crockett; granddaughters Alice Anne McDuffee and husband Patrick, of Frisco, and Nellie Anne Baker and husband Joey, of St. Cloud, Fla.; great-grandsons Collin Loch and William Patrick McDuffee, of Frisco, and Brooks Lane Baker, of St. Cloud, Fla.; sister Marian Louise Kamrath and husband Leroy, of San Diego, Calif.; nephew Allan Kamrath; and niece Mary Lou Smith, of San Diego, Calif.

Funeral services for Mr. Robert Edmond Davies were held Thursday, July 1, at 11:00 a.m. at First United Methodist Church in Crockett with Dr. Jerry House and Dr. Jack Albright officiating.

Graveside services were held Friday, July 2, at the Rose Garden in Restland Memorial Park in Dallas.

Music was provided by Cynthia House, JoAnn Henry and Buff Bowman.

Pallbearers were Roger Breaux, Paul Dawson, Howard Edmiston, Patrick McDuffee, James Ostler, Dr. Frank Smith III, Dr. John Stovall and Chris Von Doenhoff.

Honary Pallbearers were John Alcorn, of Seattle, Wash., John Jenkins, of Saratoga, Calif., Whit McCormick, of Dallas, Dr. Carl Murray, of Crockett, David Rooke, of Kerrville, Cole Smith, of Dallas and Doug Smith, of Kerrville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Crockett's Memorial Garden Fund, the Gideon's Society, or Riverside Nature Center in Kerrville.