

Carl Edwin Gassiott

HOUSTON — Services for Carl Edwin Gassiott, 94, of Houston were held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 9, 2002, in the Heights Funeral Chapel in Houston with the Rev. Arless Fuller officiating.

Burial followed in the Cedar Grove Cemetery in Trinity.

Mr. Gassiott died March 5.

A native of Groveton, Mr. Gassiott was a Trinity High School graduate and earned a bachelor of science degree from Sam Houston State Teachers College in Huntsville. He was awarded a master's degree from the University of Houston.

After teaching and coaching at Eovelady High School, he went to work for Humble Oil and Refining Co. in Baytown.

During World War II he volunteered and served in the U.S. Army's 90th Infantry Division. He was involved in the campaigns of Normandy, Rhineland, Central Europe, Northern France and Ardennes and earned the Purple Heart for combat wounds suffered in Germany on Jan. 24, 1945.

Following the war, Mr. Gassiott returned to Houston and retired from Exxon. He was an avid outdoorsman who spent some of the happiest days of his life in the piney woods of East Texas squirrel hunting and fishing.

He was a life time member of the VFW and a member of the First Baptist Church, Heights.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Ernest Gassiott and Elmer Gassiott; and a brother-in-law, the Rev. J.D. Herrington.

Survivors include two sisters and a brother-in-law, Estelle Herrington and Aileen and Herman Wilkerson of Houston; a sister-in-law, Maurine Gassiott of Woodville; and nephews, nieces and their spouses, E.W. and Rochelle Gassiott Jr., Bob Gassiott, Jim Gassiott, Jimmy and Patricia Wilkerson, Cody and Katie Wilkerson, Judy and Tommy Britt and Becky and Travis Britt.

The family has asked that memorial contributions be given to the First Baptist Church, Heights in

Houston or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Heights Funeral Home in Houston directed the arrangements.

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