

M.L. "PAPPY" JENSEN

Funeral services for Mr. M.L. "Pappy" Jensen, age 91 of Cut-N-Shoot, were held Wednesday, January 29, at 3:00 p.m. in The Chapel at Conroe Funeral Directors with the Rev. Gerald Manchester officiating.

Mr. M.L. "Pappy" Jensen passed away Sunday, January 26, 2003 in Conroe. Mr. Jensen was born August 3, 1911 in Estherville, Iowa. Mr. Jensen was a well respected pilot for 44 years, logging over 50,000 hours. Mr. Jensen's colorful flight career began in 1927, with the OX-5 Jenny. Mr. Jensen's love for flying propelled him into Iowa's Flying Circus. Mr. Jensen was called to active duty in 1942 and served as a flight instructor at Kelly Field, training pilots for the war effort in various aircraft's. Later, in 1943, he was commandeered as chief pilot for the Air Transport Command flying the HUMP. With over 70 HUMP missions to his credit, he returned to the states where he flew as captain on the Flying Tiger Line. In 1947, he was selected as one of the original 16 captains that launched Texas International Airlines. Mr. Jensen retired his wings in 1971 to pursue one of his many loves - raising his pet quarter horses. Mr. Jensen lived and loved life to its fullest. Mr. Jensen passed away peacefully, knowing that he was dearly loved and cherished by his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife of 48 years Mary Jensen; grandchildren Ginger Jensen and her fiancé Michael De Bouchel, Dana Ransonette and her husband Kelly, Janelle Jensen, Mark Jensen, and Virginia Lynn McCoy and her husband Jack; five great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Nancy Meyer; special friends The Patrick Family, The Graefing Family, The Dyck Family, and The Floyed Family; numerous dear relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial to Best Friends, Animal Sanctuary, Kanab, Ut. 84741.

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