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James Lewis Alder (Jim), 94, died in Dallas on September 13, 2016. Born on July 31, 1922 in Chicago, Illinois, Jim was the son of the late Dr. Clayton and Florence Alder. Jim grew up in Chicago with his identical twin, John, and four other brothers and sisters, where he graduated from Von Steuben High School. Jim served in World War II in the Pacific, as the captain of a minesweeper, YMS433, where at a young age he became a Lt. J.G. After the War, Jim met and married Gloria June Weber, and had three daughters. He joined McNeil Laboratories as a salesman and ultimately moved to Dallas when he was named Sales Manager of the newly created Southwestern area. Jim was honored multiple times in his role as Sales Manager. He retired from McNeil after over 35 years with the company. Jim is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Gloria, his daughters Nancy Sides (son-in-law John), Diane Alder, and Susan Nelson (son-in-law Skipper), and his three grandchildren: James Sides, Jennifer Sides, and Victoria Alder. Jim was all about his family whom he loved dearly. He traveled extensively with Gloria to Alaska, Hawaii and all over Europe, Asia and other destinations, many of those on cruises where they met new friends and saw the world. Jim will be remembered for his sense of humor, his work ethic, and his devotion to his wife and family. Over the past 10 years, he helped raise his granddaughter Victoria after she and her mom moved back to Dallas. Services will be held this Sunday, September 18 at Noon at Restland in the Wildwood Chapel. Jim will be buried at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery to honor his service to our country. Jim was a wonderful husband and father, and our “rock.” He will be in our hearts forever. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Restland Funeral Home and Memorial Park, 13005 Greenville Avenue, at Restland Road, Dallas, TX 75243.



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RD

Restland Of Dallas posted:

Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Lewis Alder.

August 24 at 2:10 PM

DK

Dan & Jewel Kidder posted:

DAN & JEWEL KIDDER purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Lewis Alder.

August 24 at 1:44 PM

JD

Jim Draper posted:

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to learn from you. When I was seeking so much knowledge, when I was asking so many questions, you patiently listened and answered accordingly, rarely showing signs of frustration... Thank you for taking the time to show me the necessary skills that lead me with confidence into tomorrow. Thank you for believing in me and having enough faith to share your work, knowledge and vision... Thanks for being a friend I knew I could always count on. Thanks for serving our country as a member of the United States Navy. Friends Forever, Jim Draper

August 24 at 12:54 PM

LC

Lisa Crane posted:

Diane, Nancy and family: Just learned of Mr. Alder's passing. It's sad and I know you will miss him terribly, but how wonderful that you had him for all those years. Thinking of you. Lisa Holler Crane

August 24 at 7:44 AM



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Duane Armstrong posted:

Carla and I offer our deepest sympathy to Gloria and the family. When I shook hands with Jim at Love Field for my interview I knew I wanted to work for him. In his trench coat and smoking his trademark cigar, he exuded something I wanted to be a part of. At the end of the day I was convinced this was the place I wanted to be. Jim was a delight to work for. He was a great teacher and a great boss. He instilled confidence and offered encouragement. He was positive in his criticism and sincere in his praise. I had total confidence in him, and he placed confidence in me. He was a forceful yet gentle leader. He knew how to build and grow a team. I was proud to be "one of Jim's boys." Regarding his ever-present cigar, it was always funny when i would come in from working and Carla would say "you were with Jim today." We pray God's blessings on all the family. Duane Armstrong

September 12 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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