



Rollin Estes MacDuffie

November 20, 1930 - April 28, 2021

Rollin E. MacDuffie of Dallas, Texas died 4/28/2021 in Dallas, Texas of pneumonia complications. He was born 11/20/1930 to Alton MacDuffie and Isabel Estes in Batavia, New York.

He married Evelyn Smith on 6/22/1963.

Rollin served in the army during the Korean War entering service in 1953 returning home in 1956, and at the urging of his employer he went to Alfred State University from 1957-1958 and spent some wonderful days traveling in Germany with his college friends before returning home.

Returning to Pavilion, New York where he was raised and graduated High School (1949) he continued to work at B. R. DeWitt driving trucks and operating loaders. He was so skilled that a leading loader manufacturer filmed him as an educational film for new operators. He always said he loved his job so much that it was not like work. In one big snowstorm the snowplows needed the extra help as the snow was too heavy and he worked 25 hours straight, never happier. Moving to Texas in 1980 he was able to become self-employed utilizing his skills on a backhoe.

Before moving to Texas, he was a member of the Grey Knight Drum and Bugle Corps going to many competitions. He also was a volunteer fireman in Pavilion even calling Bingo when needed.

He also joined the American Legion Post 576 in LeRoy in 1953 and maintained membership joining Post 453 in Dallas where he enjoyed many hours, after his retirement you could find him there making coffee or maintaining the cactus garden at the front door. Post 453 honored him with a ceremony and plaque for 60 years continuous service.

Although Evelyn and Rollin divorced, they stayed close and shared a cruise to Hawaii and he was able to see the Pearl Harbor Memorial which a bucket list item was to do, and

before he was too sick, he was able to participate in an Honor Flight to Washington D.C.

He is predeceased by both his parents, his ex-wife Evelyn and son James.

He is survived by his daughter Linda MacDuffie (Sherman Weeks) of Rochester, sons Richard (Audrey) of Roanoke Texas, and Cecil (Gisele) of Spencerport, NY, and his brother Theodore (Pat) of Pavilion, NY. Rollin is also survived by 5 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren and a niece and nephew.

He considered himself a Texan giving up on the Buffalo Bills and becoming a Cowboy fan! He was always boasting about the Texas weather when calling back to New York which is why he wants to stay there into eternity.

His last few years he was taken care of by the wonderful people at the Carrollton Rehab Facility in Carrollton, Texas and passed many good hours riding his wheelchair through the halls talking to everyone.

Memorial Services at Restland Funeral Home in Dallas Texas on Thursday, June 24, 2021, at 12:00 PM and Inurnment will at the Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery on Thursday, June 24, 2021, at 2:15 PM.

Events

JUN 24 Memorial Service 12:00PM

The Memorial Chapel at Restland Funeral Home
13005 Greenville Avenue at Restland Road, Dallas, TX, US, 75243

JUN 24 Graveside Inurnment Services 02:15PM - 02:45PM

Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery
2000 Mountain Creek Parkway, Dallas, TX, US, 75211

Comments



“ I've known Rollin for over 20 years. He was my neighbor and we would sit outside after I get off work and talk for hours about life and his family which he adored. He will greatly be missed. Rest well my friend and I will love you always.

Mary McGhee - July 21 at 05:19 PM



“ Rollin is a special soul and friend. He taught me the ins and outs of dishwashing in Post 453's kitchen--- he had volunteered over the years so much that his systems of getting things done were well respected. They worked! He did love life/ he was joyful, funny, and a man deeply interested in this world. I learned to love his spirit, humor and recognize when he was quiet that he was contemplating life on many levels. I feel so blessed to get to know and care for Rollin. Rest well in your Heavenly Home now, Rollin.



Legion Chaplain Vicky - June 21 at 11:37 PM



“ At the American Legion Post 453, Rollin showed me how to make a perfect pot of coffee; I still follow those directions. I will always remember him very fondly.

Carol - June 20 at 03:00 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rollin Estes MacDuffie.



June 16 at 01:16 PM



“ A Great man and veteran who would help anyone.

William Freauff Post 453 - June 15 at 03:05 PM