

OBITUARIES

Helen Kathrine Johnson July 10, 1909 - August 5, 2000

Helen Kathrine Johnson, 91, of Eagle Lake and former resident of Port Arthur and Katy, passed away at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, August 5, 2000 at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake. She was born July 10, 1909 in Carver Mills, Illinois, to Tom and Maudie Jane Burns Hartford. Helen was preceded in death by her parents; husband, O.E. Johnson Jr.; and a daughter, Wanda Jean Lewis. Survivors include her sons, Dr. Charles R. Johnson and Skip Johnson; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; and other relatives and loved ones. Funeral services were held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, August 8, from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake with Dr. Howard Lang of children; one great-great grandchild; and other relatives and loved ones. Interment followed in Katy Magnolia Cemetery in Katy. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

W.H. 'Bill' Martin

W.H. "Bill" Martin, 79, of Bay City, passed away Thursday, August 3, 2000 at his residence following a long illness. Born in Bridgeport, Connecticut, April 25, 1921, he was the son of H.L. and Elsie Halstead Martin. He served in the U.S. Air Force attaining the rank of Master Sergeant and was a veteran of World War II.

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A resident of Bay City since 1946, he worked for Philips Petroleum Corporation in Old Ocean as a stillman and a supervisor where he retired after 30 years.

Martin was a member of the First Baptist Church in Bay City.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his step-mother, Anna Martin.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Trebyg Martin of Bay City; daughter and son-in-law, Cynthia K. and Randy McNeel of Austin; daughter, Leanie Jayne Martin of Bay City; brothers and sisters-in-law, H.L. Jr. and Eleanor Martin of Fairfield, Connecticut, and Charles and Joan Martin of Port St. Lucie, Florida; sister and brother-in-law, Dorothy and Joe Wanas of Stratford, Connecticut; sisters, Carolyn Stebbins of Bridgeport, Connecticut, and Anna Karkas of Las Vegas, Nevada; and cousins, Mark and Sharon Halstead of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 5, at the First Baptist Church of Bay City with Dr. Michael Zimmerman officiating.

Graveside services were held at Lakeside Cemetery in Eagle Lake at 4 p.m.

Arrangements were under the direction of Bay City Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were Mark Halstead, Randy McNeel, James and Harry L. Trebyg, Arlin Harden and Kirby Dismukes.

Honorary pallbearers were H.L. Jr. and Charles Martin, Joe Wanas, Wayne Michael, Walter Lee Bauer, John J. Parker, Mike and Vernon Denn, Sam Maglito and Bobby Bell.

The family requests memorials be made to the Building Fund of the First Baptist Church of Bay City.

The family would like to acknowledge the special care given by the El Campo and Bay City Hospice.

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"The spirit of truth and the spirit of freedom—they are the pillars of society."

—Henrik Ibsen