



Mr William Tate Holland, Jr.

February 25, 1925 - January 27, 2015

William Tate "Bill" Holland, Jr., 89, of Dallas, TX, died January 27, 2015.

His funeral service will be Monday, February 2, 2015 at 11 AM at Riverside Cemetery. The Rev. Dr. Don Adams will officiate.

Known to everyone as Bill, he had many friends whose life he touched. Bill graduated from Albany High School in 1942 then attended North Georgia College in Dahlonega, GA prior to joining the United States Army Air Force. Bill served in the European Theatre of Operations for twenty-two months with the 8th Air Force 100th Bomb Group, 349th Ordinance Squadron. His Group was awarded six Battle Stars and the Presidential Citation. Upon discharge in December 1945, Bill entered Georgia Tech then transferred to The University of Georgia, graduating in 1948 with a BBA degree and Second Lieutenant in the Army Reserves. He served in the reserves with the 81st Infantry Division Headquarters as Assistant Adjutant General. While attending the University, Bill was very active in campus organizations. He was a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity, Gridiron Secret Society, along with many other organizations. He also attended Emory University Law School, evening classes for one year.

Upon graduation from the University of Georgia, Bill joined Kraft Foods as Atlanta Plant Personnel Manager. He was promoted to Southern Division Personnel Manager in 1953. His career with Kraft brought him to Texas in

1957 as Director of Human Resources for the Southern Division of Kraft. He retired in October 1986, after 38 years of service.

At his death, he was a very active member of Highland Park United Methodist Church; having served the church as a delegate to the Annual Conference as well as member and chairman of several church committees. Bill loved his church, and every Sunday, you would see him attending "In His Steps Bible Study Class" and the eleven o'clock sanctuary service.

One of Bill's civic contributions, of which he was very proud, was being one of the co-founding members and was instrumental in the process of building the Memorial Hospital of Garland, now part of the Baylor Hospital Systems. He also served on the Board as Vice-Chairman and on the Finance Committee. Bill was also a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. Bill also served on the Board of the Dallas County Central Appraisal District and was associated with Briggs-Freeman Real Estate Brokerage.

Bill was a member and officer in many civic clubs as well as a Master Mason, Knight Templar, and a Shriner. Bill enjoyed fishing and was President of the Woodvale Fishing Club, and also served in their board. At Presbyterian Village North, Bill served as Vice-President of the PVN Council, 2nd on the Executive Council, as well as served on other committees at the Village.

He will be missed. Bill always had a smile on his face when asked to help or serve. He did not say no. He used to say: "To have a friend, you had to be a friend."

He is survived by his former wife: Laura Jean Dupree Dyer Holland, and her three sons, Jim, Mike, and Tom Dyer and their families, all of Dallas. His brother: Byrd Odum Holland, nephew: Tate Holland and wife Kayci, niece: Tara Holland, and great niece: Kaylie Holland, and great-nephews: Ryan and

Jake Holland, all of Los Angeles, CA.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the William T. Holland Scholarship Fund at Highland Park United Methodist Church, 3300 Mockingbird Ln., Dallas, TX 75205, or to a charity of your choice.

You may sign the online guestbook and share your memories with the family of William Tate Holland, Jr. by visiting Kimbrell-Stern's website at www.kimbrellstern.com.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

200 Cotton Ave
Albany, GA 31707

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr William Tate Holland, Jr.*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mr William Tate Holland, Jr.*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *Bill Holland lived across the street from my wife, Doris, when they were growing up in Albany, GA. on Monroe Street. Bill was a good friend and we both served our working years making Kraft Foods known world wide. It was always a pleasure spending time with Bill. We kept up over the years and I almost moved to Dallas. My daughter, Susan, lives there and represented me at the funeral. I have made a donation in his Honor to the scholarship fund. I will miss my friend, Bill Holland.*
With Sympathy,
Chester Green

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