



Herbert Hale

March 15, 1920 - June 10, 2008

Funeral services for Herbert Roy Hale, 88, will be held at 10:30 am Saturday, June 14, 2008, at Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home Chapel with Robert Holcomb of First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow at South Park Cemetery with the Masonic Lodge Low12 officiating. Viewing will be held at Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home on Friday, June 13th, from 6-8 pm.

Herbert was born on March 15, 1920 to Hineman Harley Hale and Mollie Ella Mitchell Hale in Elk City, Oklahoma. Herbert passed away Tuesday, June 10, 2008 at Villa Del Rey Retirement Inn.

Herbert was a very encouraging father always wanting the best for his children; he was truly unique. Herbert was a member of the AARL (Pecos Valley Ham Operators) and past Master of the Masonic Lodge.

Herbert finished high school in Oklahoma before moving to Texas. He attended Draughons Business College where he met his future wife, Alma Fay Warren and enjoyed 63 years of marriage with her before her passing in 2004. Herbert served in the US Air Force and was 1st Sergeant of the 2511th AAF Base Unit when he was honorably discharged.

After moving to Colorado in 1953, Herbert was employed by Colorado State University until his retirement in 1980.

Herbert was active in church work in Colorado, was ordained a Deacon in 1956, and assisted in starting several churches. He served as a song leader, played the piano on occasion, preached in every church he organized and served as lay pastor in some.

Herbert was past master of Fidelity 192 Masonic Lodge and was a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason.

Since moving to Roswell in 1980, Herbert has been active in Sunday school. After moving to Villa Del Rey he had made several friends with residents and employees and led chapel twice a month. Herbert enjoyed working with the youth and taught woodcarving at Missouri Ave. Elementary School, taught art and woodcarving at the Roswell Adult Center before becoming disabled.

“Herb” to his many friends at Villa Del Rey, has been active ministering to many as chaplain of Villa Del Rey as well as leading chapel. He loved his family, loved his Lord and was a “people person”.

Surviving the union are his three daughters, Sharon Valmont of Tucson, AZ, Peggy Bilbro and her husband, James, of Huntsville, AL and Colleen Spacek and her husband, Joseph A. Jr. of Casa Grande, AZ; two nieces, Rosamund Baxter and her husband, Lee and Sandy Lindy; three nephews, Jay and Lee Hale and Gary Burch; nine grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

Herbert was preceded in death by his parents, Hineman and Mollie; his wife, Alma Fay Hale; son-in-law, Dr. William “Bill” Valmont; three brothers and two sisters. Pallbearers will be members of the family.

Please share your memories with the family in the online register book at andersonbethany.com

Services are under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory.

Tribute Wall

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“ I am very sorry to hear about Herb. I was away at a convention when he passed and came home to the news. I am a part time employee of Villa del Rey and teacher in the Dexter Schools and made friends with him that capacity. Some of my most joyous visits with him were about the Lord and what he had done in his life. I went to see him in the hospital the last time he was there and he seemed so appreciative even though he didn't feel well. I needed him as much as he needed me. My sis ter was dying as well and he convinced me it was ok to let her go. He will truly be missed.

Megan Savage - June 28, 2008 at 01:21 PM

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“ I was saddened of Herb's passing but know he is with the lord now. He was a wonderful, caring man who got along with everyone at Villa del Rey. He would bring a smile to all he associated with and will be missed very much. I am so sorry for your loss.

Janice Anderson - June 13, 2008 at 06:51 PM