



Sanford "Sandy" Bittner Brown

September 6, 1933 - February 26, 2011

Funeral services for Sanford "Sandy" Brown, 77, of Giddings, are scheduled for 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2011, at the First Presbyterian Church in Giddings with Rev. Rick Brooks officiating. Burial with Masonic Rites will follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held Tuesday from 8 a.m.- 9 p.m. and Wednesday from 7-8:30 a.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The Brown family will be present for visitation Tuesday evening from 6-8 p.m. Sandy passed away at his home in Giddings on Saturday, February 26, 2011. Sandy Brown was born on September 6, 1933, in Mayfield, Oklahoma to Charles Henry and Lily Carolyn (Abla) Brown. He graduated from high school in Guymon, Oklahoma in 1951. Sandy married Jane Wilson on December 21, 1952, in Big Lake, Texas. He served in the U.S. Army in the 111th Airborne Artillery. One of the first in his family to graduate from college, Sandy earned a Mechanical Engineering degree from Texas Western College in El Paso (now UTEP) in 1962. He received the Men of Mines award from Texas Western in recognition of his outstanding leadership on campus while a student there. He was a registered Professional Engineer and worked for Dow Chemical, El Paso Products, and Flint Engineering and Construction. Ever an entrepreneur and businessman, Sandy started several pipeline construction companies including Two Rivers Construction and Holloman Offshore in Aberdeen, Scotland, as well businesses in other industries. Sandy retired in 2003 from Brown Engineering and Testing, a business he started with Jane in 1979. His expertise and professionalism earned him national respect as a

leader in the pipeline construction industry. His unbending ethic and strong, quiet demeanor earned him admiration throughout his community. He was a role model and mentor to many young people and set a high standard for his family and friends to follow. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Giddings and an Endowed Member of Big Lake Masonic Lodge #1203 and J.D. Giddings Masonic Lodge #280, and Past Master of the J.D. Giddings Lodge #280. As a Mason, he received the Golden Trowel Award for exceptional service and earned a 50-year Service Pin. Sandy and Jane attended the Reagan County High School Nifty Fifties group, something he continued to do up until his illness. He enjoyed traveling with Jane, reading, and games of chance. He held a private pilot's license for many years and enjoyed flying his own plane. In earlier years, he earned special recognition as crew boss for Jane's go-cart racing career. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Jane W. Brown; his grandson, Adam Brooks; two sisters, Joyce Brown and Aileen Bowen; and a brother, Wayne Brown. He is survived by two daughters, Teri and Rick Brooks of Richardson, and Leslie and Earnie Wright of Giddings; son, Charlie and Angie Brown of Giddings; six grandchildren, Aaron and Sarah Brooks of Abilene, Cherie and Keith Oltmann of Serbin, Colbey Wright and Jason Thorp of Giddings, C.J. Brown of College Station, Ciera Brown and Cole Brown of Giddings; four great-grandchildren, Katelynn Brooks and Chase Brooks, Garrett Oltmann and Mackenzie Oltmann; special nieces, Charlene and Bill Taylor and family of Georgia and Carolyn and Troy Duncan and family of Oklahoma, as well as numerous other family members and friends. Serving as Pallbearers will be David Shrauner, Larry Wright, Tim Jones, N.G. Cotton, Bud Botkin, and Allen Spurger. Honorary Pallbearers will be the members of the J.D. Giddings Masonic Lodge #280 in Giddings. Memorials may be made to Brazos Valley Hospice, 1048 North Jefferson, LaGrange, Texas 78945, the J.D. Giddings Masonic Lodge #280, P.O. Box 115, Giddings, Texas 78942-0115 or to the charity of one's choice.

Tribute Wall

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Holly Harmon - April 08, 2011 at 04:03 AM

BG

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Brenda Gladden - March 01, 2011 at 10:01 PM

MH

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Mike and Sharon Horne - February 28, 2011 at 02:17 PM

SS

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Steve and Cheri Solomon - February 28, 2011 at 02:13 PM

DG

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Diane Giesenschlag - February 28, 2011 at 08:53 AM