



## Walter Irwin Carey

June 26, 1931 - May 19, 2015

Funeral services for Walter Carey, 83 of Lexington, Texas, are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 23, 2015 at the First Baptist Church in Lexington with Pastor Chris Bruce officiating. Visitation will be held on Friday, May 22, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Lexington. The family will be present for visitation from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Walter Irwin Carey was born on June 26, 1931 in Lower Newton Falls, Massachusetts to Horace Walter Carey and Lucy Osgood Trenham Carey. At the age of 17, Walter enlisted in the U.S. Army and was sent to Korea. After his military service, he married Barbara Ann Roe. Their union was blessed with five children. At the age of 24, he was baptized into the Baptist faith. On April 18, 1972, Walter married Patricia Stiffler in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Their union was blessed with four children. During his life, Walter studied many different religions, people and life itself. He was a lighting designer who also enjoyed photography, classical music, reading every book available to him, playing the violin and spoke many different languages. His latest hobby was researching genealogy and the computer was his best tool. Walter passed away the afternoon of Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at St. Joseph Regional Health Center in Bryan.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his aunts and uncles, Jean & Bob

Topplift and James Casey and a grandson, Timothy Cox.

Walter is survived by his wife of 43 years, Patricia Carey of Lexington; seven daughters and sons-in-law, Karen & Junior Price of Mississippi, Kristin & Wayne Barnes of Louisiana, Katie & Glenn Hawthorne of Louisiana, Angela & Homer Brower of Lexington, Michelle & Dwayne Lockhart of Lexington, Holly & Doug Peterson of Lexington and Erin & Michael Thames of Lexington; two sons, Sean Carey of Elgin and Timothy Carey & his wife, Cherie of Louisiana; 27 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; brother and sister-in-law, David & Lois Carey of South Carolina; sister, Barbara Foster of Michigan as well as several nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Memorials may be made to the Lexington American Legion Post 6, P.O. Box 94, Lexington, Texas 78947-0094 or to help the family offset final expenses. A gofundme account has been created and can be accessed at [gofundme.com/v2e65wkc](https://gofundme.com/v2e65wkc).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **22**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Lexington  
120 Third Street  
Lexington, TX 78947

## Memorial Service

MAY **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Lexington  
221 Third Street  
Lexington, TX 78947

# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Walter Irwin Carey*



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**Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home** - May 21, 2015 at 04:09 PM

ZS

“ *Our deepest condolences for your loss. From Ze'ev and Gail Sherer (Marcie'sad and wife)*

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**Ze'ev and Gail Sherer** - May 30, 2015 at 08:30 PM

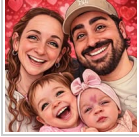
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**David Carey** - May 24, 2015 at 03:39 PM



“ My one and only grandpa.. I was so blessed to have such a wonderful man in my life? No matter who my Pop was talking to, he always made them feel special in their own way! I remember everytime I saw Pop he would say "there she is.." & tell me how beautiful I was and how proud of me he was. I'll always remember how he could sit there for hours and tell me stories about when he was younger. I loved hearing those stories & learning so much from him. Pop was a man that knew anything and everything. I could ask him any question and he would have an answer! I had the most amazing Pop and I'm so blessed to have him as my angel, watching over me?

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**Stephanie Brower** - May 22, 2015 at 02:54 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Walter Irwin Carey.



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May 22, 2015 at 02:08 PM



“ My favorite story that he told me was the year I was about 5 years old. I was sitting on the stairwell of the apartments we lived in at the time. I had a pencil, a steno pad and the Austin phone book. I was trying my best to write. He asked me what I was doing and I said writing and I'd lick the end of the pencil like he used to do and write some more. It was all just scratches and scribbles. I was too young for kindergarten so he and mom enrolled me in St. Martin Lutheran School in downtown Austin. I learned to write!

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**Angela Brower** - May 22, 2015 at 12:10 AM

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“ *May you feel the arms of God around you as you go through this difficult time, and may his abiding peace be in your heart as you remember His love for you.*  
~Elaine Harville

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**Elaine Harville** - May 21, 2015 at 07:59 PM



“ *46 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home** - May 21, 2015 at 03:52 PM

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“ *Bea Rivera and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Walter Irwin Carey.*



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**Bea Rivera and Family** - May 21, 2015 at 01:41 PM

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“ *Ruby & Roland Thames purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Walter Irwin Carey.*



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**Ruby & Roland Thames** - May 21, 2015 at 01:39 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Walter Irwin Carey.*



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May 21, 2015 at 10:35 AM




“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Walter Irwin Carey.*



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May 21, 2015 at 10:22 AM

 Kristin  
Barnes

“ I remember my Papa putting my head on his chest and rumbling into my ear, "Kristin Ann, I love you, Poohcat!" I could go to sleep to that!! The last time I heard that, I was in my 40's!! It NEVER got old and he NEVER said no! He called me his Poohcat, shortened from pussycat, cause as a small child I would curl up in his lap and he said I would literally purr when he stroked my head! He would sing me the song 'Pussycat' by Tom Jones, he would confuse me with his Yiddish and The Gaelic, then sing something in Japanese that he insisted couldn't (or wouldn't? (-;) be translated into English! If you asked him a question, he was SO learned and into the details and trivia of all questions, that by the time he answered, you forgot what the question was!! My Papa is sure gonna be missed, with his red suspenders the fedora and that look over the glasses like, 'You're smarter than that!' I am so glad he knew Jesus and I can know that I will get to see him again someday when I cross over. I love you, Papa!

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**Kristin Barnes** - May 20, 2015 at 05:16 PM

KH

“ My Papa would sing to me "K-K-K-Katie beautiful Katie... Your the only g-g-g-girl that I adore!! It always made me smile and giggle ... Then I had to kiss his bald head ... That is when he smiled that big smile and said," I love u honey.." "I love u too Papa... Recently I heard him sing "on the wings of a dove" and then last time I saw him I sang it to him... I will treasure that time forever!!!:)

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**kathleen carey hawthorne** - May 20, 2015 at 01:56 PM

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*Walt Carey was a good friend of mine for a number of years. We both worked as civil investigators for the Attorney General's Office - Texas in Austin. Walt was a very well read person and that fact made him an exceptionally good and thorough investigator. He was familiar with many aspects of business and being well informed provided him with the tools that were needed for the job at hand. I will miss calling Walt occasionally to discuss the news of the day. He was very proud of his family and loved to mention as many as he could when we spoke over the telephone. Goodbye my friend. I am a better person having known you. Rest now in peace.*

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**Paul Noack** - May 22, 2015 at 08:44 AM