



Ernest Roderick Manierre

February 24, 1917 - February 3, 2012

Ernest was born at Hartford Connecticut, February 24, 1917, son of Ernest William and Helen A. Manierre, both deceased. He attended Hartford public high school and graduated from the University of Connecticut. He was an Eagle Scout and earned 26 merit badges. He was the youngest commercial pilot in Connecticut and the second youngest in the US at age 17. He entered flying school in 1937 and graduated from Randolph-Kelly Field, Texas in 1938. Ernie served at many stations in the US Army Air Corp and later the Air Force including Hickam Field, Hawaii on December 7, 1941. He flew 51 combat missions in the southwest Pacific and retired with 32 years of service. His decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Silver Star, with Cluster, the Distinguished Flying Cross with Cluster, the Air Medal with Clusters, and several campaign medals.

Mr. Manierre married Patricia Balcombe in 1939 and has three surviving children, Ernest R. Manierre, Jr. of Titusville FL, Judith P. Matthews of Longwood, FL, and Pamela A. Carvalho of Camden, SC. He is also survived by 8 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. After the demise of his loving wife, Patricia, Ernie married Elizabeth (Liz) M. Tolson and had 25 wonderful years with her. He wishes all his relatives and friends a "God Bless" and thank you all for making his life a full and happy one.

Mr. Manierre passed away February 3, 2012 and a Memorial Service will be held in North Carolina.

Arrangements have been entrusted to DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory,
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“ *I am saddened to learn that my dear friend Ernie has departed this earthly life. I will personally miss him, as will the members of the congregation of Grace Mountainside Church in Robbinsville, NC. May the consolation of the Holy Spirit bring peaced to all Ernie's loved ones, and my your very best memories of his fascinating lif the emtiness in your heart and lives. I pray that all may find hope and joy trusting in God's eternal promises.*

Rev. Steve Holcomb, Robbinsville, NC - February 11, 2012 at 11:26 AM



“ *Ernie was a special person to us and we will miss him. He always had a smile and a funny story to tell me when I would go down to see him at the house. Ernie will always hold a special place in our hearts and will always be remembered! We want to send our thoughts and prayers to his family!*

Tammy and David Dickert



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