



Martin L Allen

January 25, 1925 - July 25, 2015

One of the “Greatest Generation” of Americans who fought for liberty and freedom against the tyranny and evil of Axis oppression during World War II (for America and the world) has gone to his eternal reward in Heaven.

Martin L. “Red” Allen, Jr. died after a long illness on Friday, July 24, 2015.

“Red” Allen was one of the “greatest generation” of Americans because immediately after the Japanese attack on Dec. 7, 1941 at Pearl Harbor, he enrolled in the United States Army and served as a combat veteran in the European Theater of conflict. Allen was a much decorated veteran, who took part in many instances of warfare. The most notable actions he fought in was the invasion of France at Normandy, as well as Bastogne, known by many as the 'Battle of the Bulge.'

Allen was born January 25, 1925 in Ashland, Alabama to pioneer families who settled in Alabama before it was a state and who were among the original settlers of Clay County, Alabama. Among those was his great-grandfather, John Jackson Allen, who was a Confederate officer during the Civil War.

Allen, - a graduate of Ashland High School - after the end of World War II, was employed for over 35 years by Bell Telephone Company (which became South Central Bell Telephone Company) where he was an engineer and later a “supervising engineer” for all of North East Alabama. Following his retirement he became an engineer and a consultant for the cable television industry.

He was a long-time member of Parker Memorial Baptist Church of Anniston,

Alabama, and he was active in local civic affairs, having served as President of the Anniston Civitan Club and was on the Board of Directors of the Cerebral Palsy Association.

He was preceded in death by his parents Martin L .Allen, Sr. and Rita Gibson Allen of Ashland, Alabama and his beloved wife and soulmate of 62 years, Alice Carter Allen.

He is survived by his sons, attorney Ronald L. Allen (wife Shelia) of Anniston, Alabama and attorney and Oxford city judge, Stanly C. Allen of Lincoln, Alabama, as well as 7 grandchildren Franklin Carter Allen, Russell Allen, Alexis Allen, Amy Askew, Hunter Howie, Nolan Howie, and Austin Stockinger. Allen's funeral will be held at Parker Memorial Baptist Church today at 11 a.m. (Tuesday), July 28, 2015.

His family will receive friends from 10-11 a.m. in the parlor at Parker Memorial Baptist Church, which is located at 1205 Quintard Ave, Anniston, AL 36201. A private interment will be held after the service in Ashland, Alabama.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Parker Memorial Baptist Church.

Cemetery Details

Clay County Cemetery

Ashland, AL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Parker Memorial Baptist Church
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Anniston, AL 36207
<http://Parkermemorial.com>

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