



Gerald (Dean) Harold

May 5, 1936 - March 9, 2025

Gerald Harold, 88, passed away on March 9, 2025, in Amarillo, Texas.

Gerald Harold was born on May 5, 1936 in Hoxie, Kansas, to Bester and Jewell Harold. Gerald graduated from Central High School in Greeley, Colorado and went on to earn a degree from the University of Northern Colorado. He started his career teaching art in a high school in Northern Colorado.

He was drafted into the army the following year. After two years in the army, he

and his wife moved to Pueblo, Colorado. There were no teaching jobs so Dean

started his career at Arkansas Bank. He stayed with banking and later moved to San Diego, California and became a Loan Review Officer.

Gerald married Beverly in 1959. The couple had 2 children, Linda and Mark. Gerald was best known for being very outgoing. He loved to entertain and help others. Gerald loved to travel. He was also known to be very active by working out, running, and being outside in the garden. Dean could also be found decorating the home. He was very artistic and loved to draw, but his love for his family and to be around them is what he loved most. He was very active with his church family both at First Baptist in Pueblo, Colorado and San Diego California.

Gerald was also a veteran of the United States Army.

Gerald is survived by, Daughter Linda Gonzalez and husband Fred and Son Mark Harold and wife Jana, Grandchildren, Sarah Smith, Samuel Gonzalez, Jacob Gonzalez, Colton Harold, Bradon Harold and Dalton Harold. Great Grandchildren; Abram Smith, Asher Smith, Abel Smith, Levi Gonzalez, Elijah Gonzalez, Samuel Gonzalez and Ayda Gonzalez.

Gerald is preceded in death by his wife Beverly Harold, parents Bester and Jewell Harold

Tribute Wall

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“ Dean and Bev were like my 'family away from family' here in San Diego after I moved out here from North Carolina for my first assignment in the Navy. They really took me under their wing. We went out to lunch together with a group oftentimes after church. Dean dropped me off at the Navy base the first morning for 2 of my 3 deployments, and he and Bev picked me late at night at the airport when I returned from Iraq. They were both such warm, caring people with huge hearts! I miss them both, but am grateful for the time I had to be friends with them....and I'm thankful that they are together again.

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“ Paul & I came to know Dean & Bev years ago through our son, Jeremy who was stationed in San Diego at the Naval Base. He met them at church & they took him in as a newcomer, inviting him to lunch, which was the start of a wonderful relationship! They were like family to him, helping him navigate being in a new city so far from home. We visited them as often as possible when in town & came to love them like family too!! They were outstanding in helping others in lots of ways!! We will always remember their kindness & friendship! May God comfort you all until we see them again in Heaven!

Paul & Ruth Walker Haw River, NC



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