

## Earl R. Palmer (Ret. U.S. Air Force)

October 13, 1928 - February 15, 2013



Earl R. Palmer, 84, of Round Rock passed away on February 15, 2013 surrounded by family. Earl was born October 13, 1928 to Charles Henry and Edna Smith Palmer in Bloomville, New York.

Earl left South Kortright Central High School, South Kortright, New York in 1946 to join the Army Air Corps and the U.S. Air Force. He returned from the Berlin Airlift and was stationed in Arizona where he married Mary Louise Cleveland in May 1948, they had four children. Earl retired from the USAF in 1966 at Goodfellow AFB in San Angelo, Texas. After his retirement from the Air Force he worked for the West Texas Boys Ranch, American Heart Association, Planned Parenthood and the American Diabetes Association. In 1977 he opened Earl's Frame Shop in Round Rock and later Earl's Brushy Creek Gallery on Main Street. Earl ran for and won a seat on the Round Rock City Council where he served three terms. He later became Mayor Pro Tem.



Earl was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife May Louise Cleveland Palmer and his siblings. He is survived by his wife Mary Ann Gotthardt Simon Palmer; his children Mona and husband John Swails, Allen and wife Karen Palmer, JoAnn and husband Tom Truss, and Sandy and husband Jesse Nickes; stepchildren Bobby Simon, John and wife Tina Simon, Becky Simon-Moffitt and husband Frank Moffitt, Suzie and husband Dan Gode, nine grandchildren, five great-grandchildren as well as many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 10 AM, Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church; interment will follow at 11:30 AM at Cook/Walden Capital Parks Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Monday, February 18, 2013 from 6-8 PM at Cook/Walden Capital Parks Funeral Home.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Andrew Presbyterian Church or charity of your choice.