



Daniel J. Kahanek

August 14, 1919 - June 28, 2017

Daniel (Dan) J. Kahanek, 97, of El Campo passed on June 28, 2017. He was born on August 14, 1919 in Yoakum, Texas. Dan was a WWII US Army Veteran. Dan was one of 12 children. He outlived all of his brothers and sisters and their spouses. Dan spent his childhood in the Yoakum area. After the war, Dan moved to the Rio Grande Valley where he met his late wife, Marilyn. In 1964, Dan and his family moved to El Campo. He worked well into his 70s selling John Deere tractors and equipment. He knew every farmer from Rosenberg to Victoria and beyond. Dan grew up on a farm and he never lost his love for the land. He always had a plot of land somewhere where he raised cattle. He sold his last property a few years ago but continues to buy and sell cattle for others until recently. He bought his last truck a few years ago. He enjoyed spending his days driving through the countryside watching the crops grow and visiting the many farms that purchased John Deere equipment. Dan had outlived most of his original customers but knew their children and their grandchildren and enjoyed keeping up with them. Dan made many trip to Prasek's to pick up a pie for customers or an old friend. Dan attributed his many successful years of selling cattle and equipment to always being honest and being fair. He lived his life by the motto "do unto others as you would have them do unto you".

Dan is survived by his two daughters, Carolyn Johngarlo of Houston and Jacquelyn Ditsler of Round Top.

The family will celebrate his life with sweets and sweet memories at Uptown

Grill, El Campo, Texas, on Sunday July 2nd, from 3:00-5:00 pm.

The family asks that memorial donations in memory of Dan be made to the Salvation Army.