



Mr Harold Edward Mickelson, Jr

June 11, 1943 - March 19, 2012

Harold Edward Mickelson Jr. passed away on March 19, 2012 at his home surrounded by his family and friends.

Harold was born on June 11, 1943 to Harold Emmanuel and Evelyn Leisker Mickelson in Houston. Harold graduated from El Campo High School in 1961 and attended the University of Houston for two years before he came back to El Campo to help his father run the company business Mickelson Pump Shop Inc. Harold was the third generation of a 110 year old business.

Harold married the love of his life, Karen Halamicek on Jan 25, 1964.

Harold is survived by his wife, Karen Mickelson of El Campo, sons Todd Edward Mickelson of El Campo, Scott Wesley Mickelson and wife Kimberly of El Campo, daughter Kari Kaye Mickelson of Pierce and fiancée B. J. Peikert. The joys of his life, grandchildren Harris and Hannah Mickelson, sister Kay Orsak and husband Charlie of Zavalla, Tx.; mother – in- law Ella Halamicek , and numerous nieces and nephews.

Harold was a member of Texas Groundwater Assoc, the Jaycees, and the 48 year member of the El Campo Elks Lodge serving as exalted ruler in 1972.

Visitation will begin on Wednesday at 12:00PM with family receiving visitors from 5-7PM at Triska Funeral Home. Funeral services will be on Thursday at 10:00AM at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Shannon Rutherford officiating. Burial will follow at Oaklawn Memorial Park.

Serving as pallbearers will be Wayne Waters, Tom Karle, Scott Arbuckle, Dale Crowell, John Crowell, and Becky Mitchell. Honorary Pallbearers will be

Donald Henderson, Steve Kubala, Kin Halamicek, Greg Flores, Charlie Orsak, Alvin Faltysek, and Gary Newton.

Memorial donations may be made to El Campo Boys and Girls Club or Houston Hospice-El Campo.

Tribute Wall

SE

“ Dearest Mrs. Mickelson, I was very saddened to learn of the passing of your husband, Harold. He was my employer way back when I was in high school. I was his "Saturday" girl, and he was such a wonderful, happy boss! I loved it when he would be shorthanded and would actually ask me to pitch in in the shop area! My thoughts and prayers are with you in this sad time. May our Heavenly Father Jehovah bless and keep you in your time of need. Warmly, Sandy Martinez Chapa

Sandra Martinez Chapa - Austin, TX - former employee - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Dear Karen and family,
We were saddened to hear of Harold's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are will you all.
Jim and Susan Moody

Susan and Jim Moody - Muldoon, TX - friends - March 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WC

“ Sad to hear Harold is gone; my condolences to all. He was quite a character, larger than life, and will be sorely missed by many. My memories of Cousin Harold are not recent - I last saw him in 1992 - I didn't even know he was ill. Am surprised he is gone. (I have a few old photos re: Harold & family, will gladly email them as JPEG attachments on request)
Cousin William Mickelson [quigon.jin@comcast.net]

William O Mickelson - Houston, TX - cousin - March 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Harold was such a wonderful friend to us when we were trying to get Greenleaf Nusery off and going in El Campo. He helped in so many ways to make me feel welcome when we moved to EC. Great memories of Harold, Charlie, and a very young Steve around the shop. I have very fond memories of the deer hunt that we took to Colorado together in the motor home. He actually saved my life when he was driving in the snow and we had a wreck. I would have been the one killed by a passing semi if he had not made the decision that he did to hit the stalled car straight on rather than swerving around it. Raising a Bud Lite to a great guy!

David Morrison - Tahlequah, OK - Old Friend from Greenleaf Nsy - March 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ To the Mickelson family my heart is heavy i just found out moments ago ago for your loss...
Kari i recall the visit i had with your dad when i came to your house to visit with you.... Mr. Mickelson your are going to be truly miss...

De Vona Giles

De Vona Giles - El Campo, TX - March 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ I am so sorry for your loss.I just read about it.we have a lot of great memories from a long time ago. Love, Leslie

Leslie G Henke - Port Lavaca - Friend - March 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ My dad (Johnny Franklin) used to own the bayhouse next to the Mickleson's on Carancuah Bay. We used to go fishing with Harold, and he would also come out to our deer lease. He was one of the greatest guys I've ever known and I know my dad feels the same way. We'll miss you Butch!

John (Buz) Franklin - Needville, TX - Friend - March 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ To Karen and family -
I can't tell you how saddened I was to hear about this. I have so many fond memories of being at Port Alto at my Dad's - especially seeing Butch coming up the stairs early in the morning to visit - I also enjoyed fishing with him and I thought the world of him - Every time I would drive by El Campo, I would think of Butch - now how I wish I had stopped by and visited him...

I know my Father is saddened as well as he considered Butch a dear friend.

My prayers are with you and your family during this time...

God Bless,

Bruce Franklin

Bruce Franklin - Houston, TX - March 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Dear Karen,

I am truly saddened to hear of your great loss. I would like to express my sincere condolences to you and your family.

*Sincerely,
Beverly (Meyer) Bullman
Frisco, Texas*

Beverly (Meyer) Bullman - Frisco, TX - high school friend - March 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Dear Karen -

*What a beautiful difference one single life made--
My heartfelt condolences to you and your family.
Dotty Yannazzo*

Dotty Yannazzo - Pasadena, TX - Friend - March 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ you will be missed uncle harold!!! i have great memories of christmas, the bay and times with granny!!! love to all in Texas!! wish we could be there!!!

joanna - las vegas, NV - uncle harold!!! - March 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JU

“ wish we were there. so many memories!!! showtime and daddy its a tie!!!! i love my christmas memories!!!
joanna,shelby,mckenna,noah,cade andmeg!!!!

joanna pate - las vegas, NV - uncle - March 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ We are so sorry to hear about your families loss, you will be in our prayers.

Ernie and Jo Ann Jurica - Friendswood, TX - El Campo Highschool - March 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ I send my deepest condolences to the Mickelson family during this difficult time. I have fond childhood memories at the bay with Mr. Mickelson and Mickelson family that included many inner tube and sea doo rides around the Carancahua Bay. I will always treasure that time.

The Mickelson family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Matthew 5:4

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Therese Vasquez - Austin, TX - Family Friend - March 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Harold was one of the nicest people we ever met and he will be missed in the El Campo community. Our condolences to Karen and the family. God bless you and keep you during this difficult time. Just want you to know you are on our hearts and in our prayers.
Love, Doyle & Ann

Doyle and Ann Schaer - Danevang, TX - friends - March 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ *Condolences to the family.
Words alone can't express the sadness that those close to you are feeling for the passing of your loved one. May you find comfort in knowing that you have friends to support you at this time of sadness.*

*Rosalie Hammerly
Mesa, Arizona*

Rosalie Stancliff Hammerly - Mesa, AZ - 1961 Classmate - March 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ *Dear Mickelson family and friends,
Please accept my condolences from the R. E. Boswell family. We lived behind Harold and his family on 41st Street in Garden Oaks and shared many good times as neighbors and friends. Love and prayers to all of you.*

Tina

Christina (Boswell) Sillavan - Houston, TX - neighbor - March 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ *Todd, Scott, Kari,
Was sorry to read of you Dads' passing. Please extend my sympathies to your Mom. I hope the memories you established with your dad will carry you through this time of sorrow.*

Ron Johannes

Ron Johannes - SugarLand, TX - March 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Karen Todd Scott & Kari,
My family sends the deepest condolences to all of you. Harold was a good friend and treated my family as one of his. I know you all will deeply miss him and so will we. May God Bless You!!
Curtis Julie Sonny & Tiffany Lester

Curtis Lester - Lubbock, TX - Friend - March 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ I can not express enough how heart breaking it is to know that Harold has passed. I know that he is no longer suffering and fighting his difficult battle with such a horrific illness. My deepest sympathy and condolences are with you all. Harold was someone who I was glad to have meet and known in my life. Prayers to all.

Amy Manis

Amy Manis - March 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Tiffany and I are so sorry to hear about Harold's passing. With a smile, I will always remember Harold as 'one of the guys', whether it was down at the bay or sitting watching a Rockets basketball game. I know he will be greatly missed.
We will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.

Todd

Todd & Tiffany Jaksch and family - Round Rock, TX - Friend - March 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I was so saddened to hear that Harold lost his brave struggle for life. My condolences and prayers go to Karen and all family members. Harold was a wonderful human being, husband, and father who will be greatly missed.
Marilyn

Marilyn Kainer Guidry - Austin, TX - friend - March 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ WE LOVE YOU DADDY AND MISS YOU A LOT:

WE LOVE YOU:
B..J. AND KARI

Kari Mickelson - Pierce, TX - Little Girl - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM