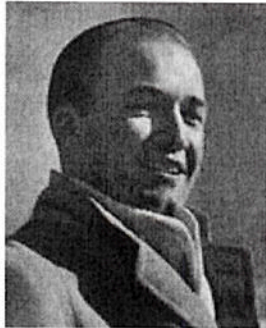


C. Russell "Russ" Belcher '44

1922 - 2016 Obituary Condolences



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1922-2016

C. Russell "Russ" Belcher went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, the 5th of July 2016, at the age of 94. He was born in Newark, New Jersey, on the 19th of January 1922. He married Alva Lawrence on the 26th of June 1948, and they remained happily married for 60 years until her death.

A graduate of Newark Academy and the University of Virginia, he joined the U.S. Army in 1942 and served his country in Europe during WWII. Upon his return, Russ joined the Prudential Insurance Company where he worked for 37 years until his retirement in 1983.

He was a member of Saint Thomas Episcopal Church for many years, where he served as Senior Warden, Junior Warden and a member of the Vestry. In 2008, he joined the Reformed Episcopal Church as a member of Saint Thomas of Canterbury.

In addition to his faithful service to the church, Russ was an avid tennis player (with his wife Alva) and a member of the Houston Racquet Club.

He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. Every time his family gathered together, his great grandchildren would make a beeline to see FaFa to say "hi" and get a hug.

A proud member of the Mayflower Society, he is survived by his children, Pete Belcher and his wife Wanda, Russ Belcher and his wife Cammie, and Diana Henderson; his grandchildren, Josh Belcher and wife Sarah, Kate Coate and husband Ben, Lindsey Holland and husband Chris, Zach Belcher and wife Halee, Ashleigh Blevins and husband Nate, and James Henderson and wife Kelly; and his great grandchildren, Ingrid Belcher, Malcolm Belcher, Beatrix Belcher, Lucy Coate, Cora Coate, Finley Holland, Ronan Holland, Kivlin Belcher, Brady Belcher, Talitha Blevins and Marjorie Henderson.

Friends are cordially invited to a visitation with the family from six until eight o'clock in the evening on Friday, the 8th of July, in the Jasek Chapel of Geo. H. Lewis & Sons, 1010 Bering Drive in Houston.

A funeral service and celebration of life is to be conducted at one o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday, the 9th of July, in the Jasek Chapel of Geo. H. Lewis & Sons.

Interment is to immediately follow, via an escorted cortège, at Memorial Oaks Cemetery in Houston.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to Saint Thomas of Canterbury, 14007 South Freeway, Houston, TX, 77047, or the charity of your choice.
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