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Oliver Vanderbilt Lee Jr.(1932 - 2015)

Oliver Vanderbilt Lee Jr., 83, went home to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Wednesday, May 6, 2015. Service: The family will receive guests beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday at Thompson, Harveson & Cole Funeral Home, followed by a memorial service at 11 a.m. Memorials: In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial gifts be made to Titus County Cares, Box 1476, Mount Pleasant, Texas 75456; Baylor University; or a charity of choice. Ollie was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., on Feb. 4, 1932. His family moved shortly thereafter to Maplewood, N.J., where he enjoyed an idyllic childhood and graduated from Columbia High School. His next adventure took him to Williams College, where he graduated with a bachelor of arts degree and joined the ROTC program, entering the U.S. Air Force, where he became a captain. This decision brought him south to Fort Worth (Carswell Air Force Base), where he met and married Barbara Allgood Lee, who preceded him in death just 14 short months ago. Ollie obtained a master's degree in engineering administration from SMU. He was truly one of a kind. Ollie enjoyed a wide variety of things, including classical and jazz music, whistling a favorite tune, movies, photography, classic cars (he owned a 1954 Jaguar XK120M before Barbara made him sell it shortly after they married!), travel and Scouting with his son in Fort Worth's Troop 400, to name a few. After holding a couple of other jobs early in his career, Ollie spent over 40 years working at Lockheed Martin. His last position there was on a joint program with the Taiwanese government and was by far his favorite. He and his family were very involved at Broadway Baptist Church for many years; he enjoyed his stint as chairman of the deacon board in the 1980s, during which time the decision to purchase Broadway's grand organ took place. For many years, he was both a teacher in and director of the fourth-grade Sunday school department. Many remember him as "STP Lee," because of the huge wall chart he made each year for the kids to record their attendance with special stickers. His love of volunteering had him delivering food through the Meals on Wheels program just a few years ago. Two simple words that everyone who knew Ollie would agree describe him best are "sweet" and "kind." Heaven has truly gained one of earth's finest. Survivors: Son, Brian Lee and wife, Judy, of Mount Pleasant; daughter, Courtney Lee Fisher and husband, Andrew, of Round Rock; sister, Louise Lee Rapp, of Jacksonville, Fla.; and grandchildren, Brian Lee Jr., Lauren Lee Cockrill and husband, Garrett, Preston Lee and Chase Fisher.

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