

Walter Paul Ditto



DITTO, Walter Paul Born December 23, 1920 in Bowie Texas (Montague County) to Walter E. Ditto and Myrtle Dowdy Ditto, and went to be with his Lord on October 9, 2015 after a short illness. He was surrounded by loved ones when he took his last breath. He was preceded in death by his parents and his 7 older sisters and by his first wife Doris Ginn Ditto. He is survived by his second wife, Mary Louise Coleman Ditto (and her two children, Monte Coleman and Camille Bean), and his daughter, Suzanne Maxwell (and her husband John Kail), his son W. Paul Ditto, Jr (and his wife Marvelle Strickland Ditto), grandchildren Kelly Harrell (and her husband Austin Frey), Collen Harrell, Michael Maxwell (and his wife Jacquelyn), Jeff Maxwell (and his wife Sonja), Trey Ditto (and his wife Natalia), Becky Bowen (and her husband Kyle) and Ericka Hedlund (and her husband Gillis), and 11 great grandchildren. Paul's family moved to Dallas when he was a small boy and he lived here the rest of his life. He graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School in Dallas. He enlisted in the Coast Guard/Navy as part of the [WWII](#) efforts and served on the USS Mosely in the North Atlantic until February of 1946. Upon returning from WWII he attended and graduated from SMU with a degree in accounting and worked for Falstaff Beer, Dallas Airmotive and Cooper Airmotive (where he served as comptroller and treasurer) and spent the last 10+ years of his working life as the business manager of Dallas Country Club. He was a devoted father and grandfather. He coached little league baseball and attend too many baseball games and soccer games to count. He was a Mason, a Shriner and an Elk (having served recently as the Exalted Ruler of his Elks Lodge). He was a founding member of Good Shepard Episcopal Church in North Dallas. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Elks National Foundation. Visitation will be 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 13 at Sparkman Hillcrest Funeral Home 7405 W. Northwest Highway. Graveside services for family and friends will be Wednesday morning at 10:30 a.m. at Hillcrest Memorial Park, with Memorial service for all family, friends, friends of family and extended family at Noon on Wednesday at Highland Park United Methodist Church 3300 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas (followed by reception at the church). His tombstone reads "Gone Dancing". That says it all.

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