

## Honorary Flower Bearers

### Nieces

## Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair,  
Perhaps you sent those beautiful flowers, if so, we saw them there.

Perhaps you brought us food, if so, it sure was good.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say,

Perhaps you were not there at all; just thought of us that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, we THANK YOU so much for  
whatever the part.

A very special thank you to The Alinea Hospice Family. To Kesha,  
Brittney, and Wivonn we thank you for all of your help and support for  
us at this difficult time. We are truly grateful.

In lieu of flowers, the family would like to request all donations and  
contributions be made: In Memory of Edward Thomas Bowers, Sr. to  
Corinth Christian Church in Kilgore, Texas.

## Interment

Kilgore Memorial Garden

Kilgore, Texas



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# Honoring the Life of



Alpha  
July 30, 1933

Omega  
August 20, 2020

**Mr. Edward Thomas Bowers, Sr.**  
*Graveside Services*

Wednesday, September 9, 2020 – 11:00 A.M.  
Kilgore Memorial Garden  
HWY 31. W.  
Kilgore, TX 75662

*Pastor C.H. Collins - Eulogist*



## *Life Reflections*

Edward Thomas Bowers, Sr. was born on July 30, 1933 to the late Mabel Moore Hoskins and the late Jessie Bowers in Dallas, TX. Edward attended the public-school system of Dallas and graduated from Lincoln High School. After graduation, Edward enlisted in the United States Navy in 1952, where he served his country with pride. During his active duty as a Korean Veteran, Edward earned several medals of honor being honorably discharged in 1955. Edward was employed by the City of Los Angeles, where he served as a supervisor and retired after 30 years of service and returned to Texas in 1989.

Upon Edward's relocation to Longview, Texas, he united with Corinth Christian Church in Kilgore, Texas, where he served as Chairman of the Board and worked wherever he was needed. Edward was a faithful steward and a devoted servant until his health began to fail.

Edward was an exceptional golfer and was a proud member of the Trail Blazer Golf Club of Longview, Texas, where he and the members golfed faithfully every week for 30 years. He also golfed at the Longview Country Club and frequently attended out of town golf tournaments. He went to his Heavenly Home on Thursday, August 20, 2020.

Edward was preceded in death by his mother, Mabel Moore Hoskins; father, Jessie Bowers, Jr.; and his maternal and paternal grandparents.

Edward is survived by his loving and faithful wife of 40 years, Rutha Bowers; his son, Vincent Bowers of Los Angeles, CA.; his grandson, Vincent Edward Bowers of Inglewood, CA.; his sister, Mabel Ann John of Vallejo, CA.; a very special sister-in-law, Edna Mae Brown; and a host of special nieces, great nieces, and cousins. Edward was loved and cherished by all of his church family and friends.

## *Veteran*

**I was a proud veteran  
That served my country well  
To those that would listen  
I had many stories to tell.**

**We fought for America's freedom  
In faraway places on foreign land.  
Wherever the battle for democracy raged.  
America's finest made a stand.**

**We fought for your future  
And the right to remain free.  
For we saw what freedom meant  
To those not blessed with Liberty.**

**For you and yours  
We would gladly have given our life.  
We faced the fears and perils of battle  
We braved endless turmoil and strife.**

**Please remember us veterans  
And the sacrifices we made for you.  
Please share the blessings of freedom,  
Proudly. Wave the red, white, & blue.**

**-Lynne Carey**



# *Loving Memories*



## **"In Loving Memory of a Very Special Husband"**



**"When God was making husbands as far as I can see, He made a special soulmate especially for me.**

**He made a perfect gentleman, compassionate, and kind, with more love and affection than you could ever wish to find.**

**He gave my darling husband a heart of solid gold, he gave me wonderful memories only my heart can hold.**

**He was someone I could talk to that no one can replace; he was someone I could laugh with till tears ran down my face.**

**Next time we meet will be at Heaven's door, when I see you standing there I won't cry anymore.**

**I will put my arms around you and kiss your smiling face, then the pieces of my broken heart will fall back into place."**



It is on God's will I travel now  
My soul takes flight – He lifts me  
high;  
On eagle's wings  
In a cloudless sky,  
A place has been prepared it's just  
for me,  
I'm going home  
*I'm finally free!*



## *Order of Service*

### **Processional**

**The Ministers, Pallbearers, & Family**

*Cunningham Funeral Directors in Charge*

### **Processional**

#### **Scripture:**

Old Testament.....Rev. Ray Geter

New Testament.....Elder Robert Loftis

Prayer of Comfort..... Pastor C.H. Collins

Song....."Amazing Grace"

### **Resolutions**

#### **Acknowledgement**

Remarks.....Limit Two Minutes, Please

Song....."Precious Lord"

Eulogy.....Pastor C.H. Collins

Presentation.....Cunningham Director's

### **Recessional**

#### **Committal**

