



Charles David Stewart

May 11, 1928 - December 9, 2015

Charles David Stewart, 87, of Auburn, left these earthly bounds to be with the Lord on December 9, 2015. David was born on May 11, 1928 to the late William Archie Stewart and Annie Ruth Stewart Tolbert of Piedmont, Alabama. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Myrtice Helms Stewart.

David was a devoted and loving husband. He is also survived by his five children, David Martin Stewart (Robyn), Mary Stewart McLeod (Bruce), Ruth Ann Stewart Logue (Kyle), Diane Stewart Griswold (Trip), and John Helms Stewart. Additional survivors include 14 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

David attended the University of Alabama where he earned his Bachelor of Science in chemistry and geology. Before starting his career, he enlisted in the United States Air Force and became a jet fighter pilot. David flew 126 missions during the Korean War receiving numerous medals and commendations, including the Distinguished Flying Cross. Following military service, he attended Auburn University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering.

David's career included work with the space program, where he led an engineering team working on propulsion systems, a teaching stint at Auburn University, and more than two decades with Ampex, where he oversaw

production quality assurance.

David, a sweet and giving man, was always willing to help those around him. There are many citizens of the Auburn area who have been touched by his grace and servant spirit. He will be deeply missed.

Graveside service with military honors will be held on December 12, 2015 at 2:00 PM at Highland Cemetery in Piedmont, Alabama. The Reverend Earl Ballard will be officiating the service. Thompson Funeral Home of Piedmont is handling the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations in honor of Charles David Stewart be made to Alzheimer's Foundation of America or Rainbow Omega in Eastaboga, Alabama.