



Alan Carl Snodgrass

March 30, 1934 - August 29, 2011

Early in the morning of Monday August 29th, Alan Carl Snodgrass transitioned from our lower sense of life to a new and higher sense thereof at his home on Lake Fort Gibson Oklahoma in the arms of the love of his life and wife of 55 years Patsy Jane (Canterbury) Snodgrass.

During his seventy seven years of life his qualities, contributions, and connections to others define the guidelines for the life of a gentle and honorable man. A few of the words that describe him are brilliant, jazz pianist extraordinaire, financial genius, patient, gentle, disciplined, optimistic, positive, kind, funny (loved a good corny joke), handsome, romantic, intellectual, and the nicest person you could ever hope to meet.

Born to Harry and Louise Snodgrass on March 30, 1934 in Chicago, IL his family relocated during his first year to Fort Worth, Texas.

Alan's served with the United States Army.

Alan graduated from Texas Christian University and Rutgers University.

A classically trained musician from the age of 5, he quickly learned that, while Chopin and Bach wrote beautiful music, Miles Davis and Dave Brubeck's tunes were the direction his musical compass pointed and the piano was the instrument he was born to play. He was the youngest member (nicknamed "Bones" for his 6'4 lean stature) of multiple jazz ensembles beginning in the 1940s and continuing throughout his life. Alan's ability to play anything by ear (in any key and improvised) was beyond comprehension by all who had the joy of hearing him and especially for all the wonderful musicians who had the

honor of performing with him through the years.

He began his career in banking at the First National Bank of Fort Worth. He continued in banking as Senior Vice President and Chairman of the Trust Committee for the Bank of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Alan became licensed with the SEC in Texas and Oklahoma as an independent Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC) and he helped many clients.

The most important thing, in this life, to Alan was his wife and family. He is survived by wife Patsy, daughters Cathy York of Fort Worth and her husband Jim Schusler, his grandson Taylor Alan York daughter Julie Snodgrass of Austin and her husband Dick Wynn, sister Carol Martin of San Antonio and many nieces and nephews. The Canterbury families (Patsy's three brothers and two sisters) and their children were very close to Alan.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **24.** 1:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel
1830 N. York St.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Tribute Wall



“ *Alan Carl Snodgrass*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Patsy,*
I was so saddened to hear of Alan's death. He was such a talented man and also such a gentle and kind spirit. I'm so sorry that I'll be unable to be at the memorial service as I have a previous commitment, but know that I care and that you and your family are in my prayer.
Sandy Dugan Wagner

Sandy Dugan Wagner - September 05, 2011 at 02:05 PM



“ *What a wonderful and appropriate tribute for our dear brother-in-law and loved one...dear Alan. He gave all of us so much pleasure in his personality, mental genius and talent through his piano ability. I for one know God put Alan in the Canterbury family and for that I am very thankful!*
Love and prayers to you my dear sister, Cathy, Julie, dear Taylor and Jim and Dick.....
Rae Lynne and Dennis
OKC

Rae Lynne Peeples - September 04, 2011 at 02:44 PM

KC

“ *A Light on the Lake has gone out~! What a talent, what a loving husband & father, not to mention many family and friends with whom he shared his life. A perfect picture at the piano~~a special memory! Love You, Patsy... Kay & Frank Calzone, The Woodlands, Texas*

Kay Dumesnil Calzone - September 03, 2011 at 06:18 PM

JS

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Julie Snodgrass - September 02, 2011 at 09:59 AM

JS

Harvey Anderson is here too!

Julie Snodgrass - September 02, 2011 at 10:01 AM

JS

“ *Julie Snodgrass lit a candle in memory of Alan Carl Snodgrass*



Julie Snodgrass - September 02, 2011 at 09:57 AM

WP

jeanine and i will always rermember alan...such a great guy

wayne pamplin - September 05, 2011 at 06:05 PM



so sorry patsy.....a great loss to everyone who knew him

wayne pamplin - September 05, 2011 at 06:08 PM