



Joe William Corbin

May 31, 1925 - December 12, 2009

Joe William Corbin Joe William Corbin, 84, a former long time resident of Decatur, AL passed away Saturday, December 12, 2009 at the Southwest La War Veterans Home in Jennings, La. A graveside service honoring his life will be held at a later date in the Elmwood Cemetery, Birmingham, AL where he will be laid to rest beside his beloved wife, Doris Glover Corbin. Joe William was born in Dover, MO to the late Floyd & Gertrude Mendenhall Corbin on May 31, 1925. He served his country proudly in the United States Air Force during WWII and the Korean Conflict. On a mission through “Mig Alley” on January 25, 1952 his F-84 jet was hit by flax and burning resulting in his bailout onto the floating ice of the South China Sea. During the rescue, Joe was shot through the jaw by advancing troops and needed facial reconstruction to repair the damage. After three terms in the military he was honorably discharged a First Lieutenant jet fighter pilot. He was a member of the First Methodist Church and the owner of Decatur Refrigeration Company until he retired. He is survived by his son, Joe William “Billy” Corbin, Jr. and his wife Teresa of Destin, FL and his daughter, Vicki C. Grafe and her husband Chip of Lake Arthur, La.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joe William Corbin*

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ *Dear Vicky and Billy,
My parents are Bud and Kate Hoppenjans in Decatur,AL. They were good friends with your parents in the 60's and 70's. I remember visiting your parents at the holidays and they were so fun and loving. Bud and Kate are in memory care assisted living, but Bud remembers your dad. Take care,
Annie Hoppenjans Daniels*

Anne Hoppenjans Daniels - December 19, 2009 at 10:48 AM



“ *Dear Vickie, Chip,Billy and Tersa*

*We loved your dad a good friend . We met your mother & dad 1963.
We have our memories. May God bless. He was real hero.
Jim & Margaret*

Jim & Margaret Mynes - December 18, 2009 at 11:15 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss.*

Wanda Simmons Tackett - December 18, 2009 at 09:57 AM

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“ *Billy & Teresa:*

We are so sorry to read about your loss. Just know that we are praying for you during this time. We know what you are feeling, but there is sunshine after the rain.

We love you guys and will keep you in our prayers.

Uncle Rocky, Aunt Nette, & Mitzi

Rocky & Jeannette Goodwin - December 18, 2009 at 09:47 AM