

BREESE

Peronneau H. Breese, 62, native El Pasoan, died March 18, 2012 in El Paso, Texas after a lengthy illness. He was the grandson of pioneer El Pasoans, Paul H. & Virginia W. Lockett. Virginia was the granddaughter of C. M. Winkler, namesake of Winkler County, Texas.

He led a colorful life and was a celebrated international chef having cooked for many notable personages of the day. He had also been an importer and wholesale distributor of Mexican handcrafts and was known as the Piñata King.

Briefly he was a newspaper reporter for the Memphis Commercial Appeal and covered the trial of James Earl Ray, Martin Luther King's assassin. Later, he was a U.S. Customs Broker, representing the importing community before government agencies. He was a two term president of the El Paso County Youth Council.

Breese was predeceased by his parents, Col. E.W. (Pete) Breese

and Virginia (Dinny) Lockett Breese, his brother Peter Lockett Breese and a sister, Teunisse (Missy) Breese Rabin. He is survived by his sister Nancy Breese Holmes, his brothers in law, Bradford Holmes and Arnie Rabin and several nieces and nephews, all of Hawaii. He is also survived by his beloved life partner, Sal Saldivar.

Father Michael Perko will celebrate a memorial mass on Monday, April 2, 2012 at 11:00 AM at St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 1810 Elm Street, El Paso, Texas.

Memorial donations may be made in Peronneau's name to St. Alban's Episcopal Church.

