

GOODMAN

El Paso real estate investor David E. Goodman passed away Sunday at 94. David was deeply involved with and committed to Congregation B'nai Zion, the synagogue which was co-founded in 1896 by his father, Jacob, and which has remained a vital part of the Goodman family for over 100 years. A life member of B'nai Zion, David proudly served on its Board of Directors for 25 years and his family have been members for over 50 years. Mr. Goodman served as a captain in the U.S. Army during World War II. He returned home to El Paso and founded American Finance and Investment Co., one of the city's oldest financial institutions. In subsequent years Mr. Goodman built a portfolio of real estate properties in El Paso and Ruidoso, New Mexico. After attending a celebration marking the 75th anniversary of Vilas School, Mr. Goodman and his wife, Evelyn, decided to help fund college

for worthy students. The David and Evelyn Goodman Vilas School Achievement Fund is now in its 25th year. Mr. Goodman is survived by his wife of 63 years, Evelyn, four children Jay Goodman, JoEllen Weiss, Jon Monte Goodman and his wife, Lois Lee and Janis Weiss and her husband, John David Weiss, and five living grandchildren Jacob Weiss, Sarah Weiss, Charlotte Weiss, Ben Weiss and Nick Weiss. Funeral services will take place at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, August 4, 2009 at B'nai Zion Synagogue, 805 Cherry Hill Lane, El Paso, TX, 915-833-2222. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the David and Evelyn Goodman Vilas School Achievement Fund care of the El Paso Community Foundation, 818-533-4020, or your favorite charity. Services entrusted to Martin Funeral Home West, 128 North Resler Drive.