## Douglas G. Ramsey Sr.

Douglas G. Ramsey Sr. passed away Aug.4, in El Paso. Born in El Paso on January 6, 1921, he was the grandson of pioneer El Pasoan William Gregory Walz, who came to El Paso in the late 1800s. He was preceded in death by his parents, William K. and Eileen Walz Ramsey, his brother, William K. Ramsey, Jr., his sister, Peggy Ramsey Kayser, and his nephew, Chip Ramsey.

He attended Crockett School, Austin High School and New Mexico Military Institute where he graduated from high school and then junior college in 1939. He attended the College of Mines (UTEP) until December 7th, 1941 when he joined the Army as a 2nd Lieutenant on his 21st birthday.

He served in the 10th Cavalry until it was disbanded and he was transferred to the U.S. Army. He served in the European Theater during the remainder of World War II. When peace was declared he was discharged from the Army as a Major and returned to El Paso. In 1946, Bill, Doug, and Greg Ramsey started Ramsey Steel Company where Doug served as secretary-treasurer until his retirement at age 75.

Throughout his life, Doug was an active member of the YMCA and served on the board in numerous capacities. He was the past president of the El Paso Country Club and Los Caballeros. Doug was an early resident of the Mountain Park area where he was president of the community association for many years. He had a life time interest in hunting and fly fishing and enjoyed collecting stamps of the United States. He was a member of the Pro-Cathedral



Church of St. Clement. He is survived by Sue, his loving wife of 64 years, his brother, Gregory Ramsey, daughters, Susan Montoya and Louise (Wesa) Ramsey Albuquerque; son, Douglas his wife. Samara (Michelle); his grandchildren Philip Montoya and his wife Gabrielle, Alicia Montoya, McClain Bond, Ramsey Bond of Albuquerque; Teo Montoya and his wife Marinell of Miami Beach, Florida, and Anna Ramsey of Flagstaff, Arizona; nieces Tracy Ramsey Dowdy, Lynn Ramsey Stinson; nephews, Bill Kayser and John Kayser; his great grandchildren Hannah and Lena Montoya; great nephews Tres Ramsey, Walc and Anthony Stinson, Aaron Kayser, Ian Kayser, great niece Alister Ramsey.

A service to celebrate his life was held Aug. 9 at the Pro-Cathedral Church of St. Clement's, with Rev. William C. Cobb officiating, followed by a reception held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Paul.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that all those wishing to honor the memory of Doug, please make a contribution to: YMCA Foundation of Metropolitan El Paso, c/o L. Wieland, 701 Montana, El Paso, TX 79902; El Paso Symphony Association, PO Box 180, El Paso, TX 79942; Odyssey Hospice Program, 7500 Viscount Ste. C83, El Paso, TX 79925; or to a charity of your choice. Services entrusted to Sunset Funeral Home-West. Please visit our online register book at: www.sunsetfuneralhomes.net

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