

CAROL RAY McGUIRE

1939- 2009

CHICO:Carol Ray Mc-Guire, 69, a retired pilot died on Monday, April 6, 2009 in Chico.

Carol Ray McGuire was born on July 27, 1939, the son of Brady and Hazel McGuire in Chico. Carol grew up on the family land known as the Olive Branch Farm.

Carol attended Kilgore Junior College and Sam Houston State University. He was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity Carol was a pilot and loved soaring through the skies. In the Marine Corp, he flew A4s with VMA 225, a group that continues to meet annually. With seventeen years with Braniff International, he flew the Electra, 727s, 747s and the Concord. With Piedmont Airlines, he flew 727s, the Fokker. He completed his flying career with US Airways flying 737s. At the age of 51, Carol was forced to lay aside his passion of flying because of

Parkinson's disease. He facilitated a support group to help others deal with their own various kinds of Chronic Illnesses.

Carol was preceded in death by his parents, and his son, Mark Douglas McGuire.

Survivors include his wife Barbara King McGuire of Chico; daughters, Amanda Jones and husband Lewis of Joplin, Missouri, Miranda Lee Owens and husband Rik of Phoenix, Arizona; grandchildren, Paula, Rachel, and Maryella; brother, Jerry McGuire of Chico; nephews, Ronnie and Tommy McGuire; Nieces, Angie Eudy and Derinda Hopkins; and numerous friends. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

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Funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Hawkins Funeral Chapel. Burial: Olive Branch Cemetery. Rev. For-rest Gibbs officiated.

A memorial service will be held at 3 PM Thursday, April 16 at Northwoods Presbyterian Church in Houston.

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