

ALFRED HUSTON TICHENOR Obituary

Alfred Huston Tichenor January 31, 1942 - May 31, 2024

Al peacefully flew away to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in the morning hours of Friday, May 31st. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Melinda, daughter Tance (Anthony) Salafia and son Todd (Catrina) Tichenor and by his five beautiful granddaughters: Hannah (Cory) Camp, Allison Salafia, Sarah (Daniel) Sotelo and son, Ezekiel, Olivia Salafia, and Rachel Tichenor.

Al led a very full life, including his military service flying in the United States Air Force and the Air National Guard 144th Fighter Wing Fresno, California. He was an accomplished builder, pilot and engineer. Al started A.H. Tichenor General Contracting and Engineering, building several homes in the Fresno, Clovis and Madera areas. In his later years, he had fun working as a forensic engineer for a local firm.

Al loved the outdoors, music and people. He taught all of his granddaughters to drive stick shift on his 1974 Chevy pickup he fondly named 'Olive' and how to strum a guitar, always looking for opportunities to teach life skills and create lasting memories. He was a man of many interests which blessed him with a wide variety of friends.

He has been a faithful member of St. Michael the Archangel Anglican Church. Through the years, he has taught Sunday school, led children's chapel, and taken many groups to Death Valley for amazing adventures.

The Lord began a work in Al's life through Bible Study Fellowship, where he eventually became the Teaching Leader for 20+ years in the local Fresno evening men's group. Al told his granddaughter, Ali, that his favorite Bible verse is Genesis 1:1, "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." He said this is the foundational truth for all people to grapple with. He loved reading and studying the scripture, always searching for wisdom that he could pass on to his family and friends. Like the Apostle Paul, Al longed to understand the deep mysteries of God, revealed in His word and by the Holy Spirit.

"For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known." I Corinthians 13:12.

He will be dearly missed, but we know that all who have believed and received Jesus as their Savior, will see Al again.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to:

St. Michael the Archangel Anglican Church http://stmichaelsfresno.org/

Bible Study Fellowship, International https://www.bsfinternational.org/support/

Ambassador Christian Academy, Queen Creek, Arizona https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/Z5TJES6BQXXP4

Child Evangelism Fellowship, NorCal Chapter https://cefnorcal.org/norcal-chapters/central-valley-north/

Moms in Prayer International https://momsinprayer.org/

Events:

Funeral Service: Saturday, June 29th, 11am St. Michael the Archangel Anglican Church 5073 N. Palm Ave Fresno, Ca 93704

*Followed by a Reception Luncheon at St. Michael's Parish Hall

Military Burial: Monday, July 1st, service begins promptly at 11am (approx. 40 mins) *Please arrive early, at 10:45am, to 'Tichenor' staging area

San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery 32053 West McCabe Road Santa Nella ,Ca 95322