

Remember Them Forever

Name: Budlong, Travis Lynn

Birth: 09 September 1922
Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas

Death: 08 August 2012
Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas

Cemetery: Fairview Cemetery
Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas
GPS of grave: 33.629496, -97.1264478

Family:
Father: Irl Robert Budlong
Mother: Annette Anderson
Spouse: Lorna Jean Culp, married 15 April 1944, Cooke County, Texas
Children: Travis Jefferson Budlong, Ann Budlong

Military: Lieutenant, 20th Air Force, World War II.
Recalled bombing missions that ended by landing his disabled plane on Iwo Jima and how, if our Marines had not taken Iwo Jima, "I'd still be swimming around in the Pacific."

Occupation: Started a company called Whip Foods in San Antonio, then was involved in real estate. Travis was a part of the first Honor Flight Austin, which traveled to Washington DC to view the WWII Memorial in June of 2012. Frequently spoke to school classes and groups about US History, politics, and the changes witnessed, as well as experiences as a pilot

Sources: FamilySearch ID GZ8X-3JL, Texas marriage and death records, U. S. Census Records, BillionGraves, Find a Grave, The Berkshire Eagle (Pittsfield, Massachusetts), *Men and Women in the Armed Forces from Cooke County*

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