



Charles Joseph Conkling

July 5, 1924 - November 14, 2015

Charles Joseph "Joe" Conkling, 91, passed away at home in Nunn, Colorado on Saturday, November 14, 2015. In 1924, Joe was born to Russell C. and Pauline R. Conkling in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He was raised in Midland, Texas.

After graduating from Midland High School in 1941, Joe attended Oklahoma University. He interrupted his studies to join the U.S. Coast Guard and serve in the South Pacific aboard the USS Cor-Coralis. After the war, Joe graduated from OU in 1946 with a degree in Geology and he was a proud member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity.

While at OU he met and married Patricia Haney. Together they moved to Midland, Texas to raise their family. Joe worked as an independent petroleum geologist and as a petroleum consultant with his father, Russell C. and brother, Robert N. Conkling.

Joe loved to travel and explore the country. He would often take off to "see what's around the bend," in his plane, boat or various RV's. His wit, humor and great stories won him many friends.

Recently, with the help of Pathway's Hospice, Joe was able to record some of his stories on "Story Corp" of National Public Radio. His interview will be filed in the Library of Congress.

Joe is survived by three of his children, son, Stephen R. Conkling of Fort Collins, Colorado; daughter, Elizabeth "Buff" (Conkling) Peters of Nunn, Colorado; daughter, Lindley (Conkling) & Mike Terry of Denver, Colorado; six grandchildren and one great-grandson.

The family will hold a private ceremony.

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Joseph Conkling*

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