## George J. "Jerry" Buchanan(1931 - 2015)



BUCHANAN, George J. "Jerry" Age 84, passed away peacefully on October 14, 2015. Born March 3,1931 in Dallas, Texas, Jerry graduated from Woodrow Wilson High in 1948. He then entered Southern Methodist University and lettered in baseball for the Mustangs. In 1950, Jerry transferred to Drury College, Springfield, Missouri, where he began his professional baseball career in combination with his fledgling journalism studies. He soon signed a bonus contract with the New York Yankees and played his first organized game as a pitcher for the Joplin Miners. After serving in the U.S.Army from 1951 to 1953, Jerry continued with the New York Yankees, pitching for their various farm teams, which included a winter

season in Cartagena, Colombia. Jerry ended his playing career with the New Orleans Pelicans in 1958 and shortly thereafter joined American Airlines, retiring in 1996. Along with his friends and neighbors, Jerry will be missed by his family: brother, Tom, and his wife, Gail; nephew, Ben, and his wife, Deborah; grand nephew, Taylor, all of Atlanta, Georgia. Memorial services will be held at 3 pm on Friday, October 23rd in Restland Wildwood Chapel. Reception following at Jerry's family home.

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