



## Congressman Ralph Hall

May 3, 1923 - March 7, 2019

Ralph Moody Hall, born May 3, 1923, lived his life fully and completely until he died peacefully in his home on March 7, 2019. Born in Fate, Texas, one of three children, Ralph lived in Rockwall, Texas where he graduated from Rockwall High School in 1941. After graduation, he joined the United States Navy on December 10, 1942, serving as an aircraft carrier pilot from 1942 to 1945 during World War II, attaining the rank of Lieutenant. After the war, Hall attended Texas Christian University and The University of Texas from 1946-1947, receiving a law degree from Southern Methodist University in Dallas in 1951. Ralph was elected Rockwall County Judge in 1950 at the age of 27, while still in law school, becoming one of the youngest county judges ever elected in the State of Texas. From 1958-1959, Hall served as the President of the State Judges & Commissioner's Association. In 1962, he was elected to the Texas State Senate where he served until 1972, serving as President Pro Tempore in 1968-1969. In 1972, Hall ran unsuccessfully for Lieutenant Governor of Texas and left politics to continue his career as an attorney and businessman. During this time, Hall became President & CEO of Texas Aluminum Corporation and was the founding member and Chairman of Lakeside National Bank of Rockwall. He also continued to build his law practice with his longtime friend and law partner, Don Stodghill. Although he was a very able and successful attorney and businessman throughout his life, his family recalls that during this eight-year absence from politics, he wasn't really satisfied or fulfilled.

In 1980, he was elected to Congress and continued his lifelong desire of serving the public, representing the 4th Congressional District until 2015. He described himself as "an old-time conservative Democrat" and for many years, he was one of the most conservative Democrats in the House. Despite the 4th District's increasingly Republican tilt, he won multiple terms as a member of the Democratic Party with an average of 60% of the vote. By the 1990's, he was the only elected Democrat elected above the county level in most of his district. Believing he had an obligation to continue to pull his party back to the middle, he was one of the co-founders of the Blue Dog Coalition, a group of moderate and conservative Democratic congressmen. Finally, in 2004, Hall switched parties and became a Republican, believing this best served the views and needs of his constituents

in the 4th District as well as his own personal conservative philosophy. He also cited his support and admiration for his friend President George W. Bush, believing he could better support the President as a Republican. After the switch, the Republican Party allowed him to keep his seniority and he became chairman of the House Energy Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality. He also joined the Republican Study Committee, a caucus of conservative House Republicans. He served as the chairman of the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology from 2011 to 2013. He was also a member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

At age 91, Hall was the oldest serving member of Congress and at the end of his last term in office, he was the oldest person to ever serve in the House of Representatives, the oldest person ever elected to a House term and the oldest House member ever to cast a vote. He and Michigan Congressman, John Dingell, were the last two World War II veterans serving in Congress. During his tenure, Hall spent much of his time in his District visiting with constituents and helping with their problems. Rising above party labels or concerns, Hall was always proud to point out that regardless of party, he voted the way his District thought, saying, "I'd rather be respected at home than liked in Washington." Ralph married Mary Ellen Murphy in 1944 while he was serving in the navy in Pensacola, Florida. Ralph and Mary were married for sixty four years before her death in August of 2008. Ralph was a member of First United Methodist Church of Rockwall for 85 years.

Ralph is survived by his children, Hamp and wife Jody, Brett and wife Karen, and Blakeley and wife Catherine. He is also survived by grandson, Jay Hall and wife Katherine, granddaughters, Sarah Hall, Amanda Hall, Crystal Kemper and husband Kyle, grandson, Steven Lule and wife Leanna, and great-grandchildren, Caden Hall, Blakeley Kemper, Theodore Kemper and Kendall Kemper. Ralph is also survived by a nephew, Mark Scott and wife Vickie and children Haley and Alec. Ralph was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ellen, his brother, Hugh Hall, sister, Rosemary Hall Scott, nephew, Hugh Hall III, and niece, Rebecca Jeannes.

The family expresses their extreme gratitude to the caregivers who took care of Ralph for the past four years, Gloria Melendez, Paula Gonzales and Sherry Combs, all of whom became part of the family. Ralph's life was defined by helping others with their problems, no matter how big or how small. He was a great advocate and communicator for people both as a trial lawyer and in politics. Ralph led a colorful full life, once claiming to have served food to Bonnie & Clyde while he was a youth working at the Rockwall Drug Store. He also later worked as a promoter in boxing for a period of time in the 1960's, claiming to have had an opportunity to invest in a young Muhammed Ali, which he passed up because he was advised that Ali couldn't take a punch. Hall was also a member of the

East Trinity Masonic Lodge No. 157 as a 33rd Degree Mason receiving his 70-year pin in 2018. Ralph loved all people and he loved his family and his hometown of Rockwall. He opened many doors and created many opportunities for many people including his friends and family.

Funeral services will be held 2:00pm Saturday, March 16, 2019, at First United Methodist Church, 1200 East Yellow Jacket Lane, Rockwall, TX 75087. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Memorial Park. A gathering of family and friends will be held Friday evening at The Gathering at Rest Haven Funeral Home, 2500 State Highway 66 East, Rockwall, TX 75087 from 6:00 to 8:00pm.

# Cemetery

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## Rest Haven Memorial Park

2500 State Highway 66  
East  
Rockwall, TX, 75087

# Events

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**MAR 15** **Gathering** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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The Gathering at Rest Haven Funeral Home - Rockwall  
Location  
2500 State Highway 66 East, Rockwall, TX, US, 75087

**MAR 16** **Funeral Service** 02:00PM

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First United Methodist Church  
1200 E. Yellow Jacket Lane, Rockwall, TX, US, 75087

# Comments

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“ Hamp, Brett, Blakely and family, I am so sorry for the loss of your dad. God bless you all. Vicki Dawson Harper

Vicki Dawson Harper - March 18 at 11:29 AM

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“ Congressman Hall was a patriot and friend. He always took time to listen to whatever subject I had come to discuss with him. And he always had an honest response. He would laugh when I would tell him he was my "adopted" congressman because I didn't agree with the one I had. He will be missed. God rest his soul. They don't make them like him anymore.

Sharon Edwards - March 16 at 05:03 PM

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“ I remember the last time I visited Comrade Congressman Hall after his last re-election, and we had a good time talking about veterans. He will be missed.



Clarence William Jackson, CSQA - March 16 at 12:32 PM

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“ Thank you, Congressman Hall, for all you did representing Rockwall and serving our country. Thank you to his family for sharing him with us. What a treasure and legacy you have left behind.

John & Gwyn Eury

John and Gwyn Eury - March 16 at 12:14 PM

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“ Congressman Ralph Hall, you will be missed. You were a "real" Congressman, always looking out for the best interests of your constituents and protecting our rights, even if it took you overnight to read a bill to find all the little tricks they had tried to slip in! Thank you, Sir, for protecting our Second Amendment rights and so many others they tried to steal from the American people. May God Bless You and your precious family.

Debbie Lowery, Howe Texas



Debbie Lowery - March 16 at 11:14 AM

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“ All for Hall were the words on his campaign button, but it really should have read Hall for All, because he was always there to serve his constituents in his district no matter how big or small the matter. When it was time to vote on issues, he listened to his constituents and rarely voted against what they wanted. We will always remember him for his wit, pleasant smile, his jokes, gentle nature and campaign penny. We were blessed to have had such a revered statesman. Please accept our heartfelt condolences.

Grayson County Republic Party

Barbara Woodroof-Chairman

Barbara Woodroof - March 16 at 10:22 AM

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“ COL(ret) Randall & Emily F. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Congressman Ralph Hall.

COL(ret) Randall & Emily F. - March 15 at 11:41 AM

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“ We were so very blessed by the lifetime of service of this member of the Greatest Generation...a WWII Veteran, respected lawyer, judge and statesman, a Texan who stood tall for his state and his country, a devoted family man and a stalwart gentleman of exemplary character. We salute you, sir! Emily and I will be lifting the Hall family in prayer as we remember, fondly, "All for Hall from Rockwall!" With deepest sympathy and prayers, Randall L. and Emily Fluke

Randall L. Fluke - March 15 at 11:28 AM

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“ An external video has been added.



Rest Haven Funeral Homes and Memorial Park - March 14 at 05:05 PM

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“ Peter Flores lit a candle in memory of Congressman Ralph Hall



Peter Flores - March 14 at 01:16 PM

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“ Congressman Hall was a good man with a kind heart. His devotion to service was a wonderful example for all of us. He will be greatly missed. I am holding the Hall family in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

suzette curlee - March 13 at 07:07 PM

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“ Ralph Hall was one of a kind....literally. No one ever made me, my family and friends feel more welcome than Ralph. He was SO special to my daughter, Mauri Jane..... she sat on his lap when she was 3 years old and he let her tape his mouth shut cause she was so enamored with the auto tape dispenser on his desk. He kept that picture of her "doing the taping of his mouth" in full view in the glassed cabinet behind his desk in DC all the years he served after that.

It was so special for Mauri Jane to take her own daughter, Elizabeth, to see Ralph in his home in Rockwall about three years ago. Elizabeth sat on his lap and they took a picture....as he had with Mauri Jane some 25 years previous..... the torch was passed. He was a mentor, my adopted Uncle, my dear friend, my daughter's Uncle Ralph. He was and always will be the greatest story teller I've ever met....the twinkle in his eyes when he laughed was contagious. He was one of a kind....he was Ralph, Uncle Ralph !!! Wayne T Franke



“ My mom, Ada Jo Phillips, talked about Ralph all the time. They shared a birthday together and many gatherings. My son had the opportunity to meet Ralph in Washington and he left a lasting impression on him. Ralph, you will be missed.  
Drendia



Drendia - March 13 at 12:04 PM

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“ My sympathy is extended to Ralph's family at this difficult time. My memory of Ralph goes back to the 50's when I was attending Rockwall High School. I was his invited guest to the Rockwall Rotary Club, where I was the Club's nominee for Queen of the Centennial Celebration. That introduction to a service organization impressed me so much; this year, I will celebrate 25 years of service in my Rotary Club.

How true it is that Ralph opened doors and created opportunities for so many. Mary Ellen also did the same. She allowed me to ride with her to East Texas State College, without helping with the gasoline, when I was just beginning my bachelor's degree and she was working on her master's. How kind they both were.

I saw Ralph at many of the annual RHS Reunion banquets when they were combined for everyone. I also heard Ralph speak at a "Happy Birthday Texas" dinner. He never forgot my husband and me, although we had moved from Rockwall in the mid-sixties.

He will be missed by so many, both young and old.

Dr. Rachel Howell



Dr. Rachel Howell - March 11 at 05:14 PM

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“ Hall Family:

My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Congressman Hall was one-of-a kind!

**Kim Raulston** - March 11 at 08:40 AM

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“ I was fortunate enough to work for Congressman Hall for just under 6 years as a counsel on the Science Committee. He was the sweetest man and a true gentleman. I loved his stories and his wonderful sense of humor. I can only imagine that he has St Peter in stitches at the pearly gates.

**Katy Crooks Flynn** - March 10 at 10:55 PM

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“ To the Hall Family! So sorry for your loss! Your father and his family, were long time friends of my family, the Pinions and Denton's from Heath! You all are in our prayers!

**Joe M Denton** - March 10 at 09:32 PM

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“ My husband Ronald & I would like to extend our sympathy to Hamp, Brett, Blake & their families during this difficult time.

I first met Ralph as a young child at the First Methodist Church. He was my Sunday School teacher & a friendship began that has lasted all these many years. I know he will surely be missed by his family and his many friends.

We will keep you all in our prayers.

Sincerely,

Mary & Ronald Melton

**Mary Melton** - March 10 at 08:10 PM

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“ We are very sorry to hear of Ralph's passing. He was a wonderful man and well respected. Our prayers are with his family.  
Howard and Joan Haddock

**Howard and Joan Haddock** - March 10 at 01:50 PM



“ My Mother, Ethel Joy Fender attended school with Mr. Hall. They graduated together from Rockwall High School in 1941. In those days, students only went 11 years instead of 12. After their 50th graduation party, Mr. Hall and his wife hosted a gathering afterwards of all his fellow students and their families at his home. Later on, he was nice enough to attend my Mother's 73rd birthday party when she was in a nursing home in Mesquite. He was very nice and friendly. He presented my Mother with an American flag that day. I have always thought so much of him. He was such a nice and polite gentleman.

**Cathy Beynon** - March 11 at 12:22 AM

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“ Congressman Hall is a great American hero - an inspiration to all who knew him. He served his nation with honor and distinction in World War II in the South Pacific as a exceptional Naval Aviator flying F6F Hellcat fighters. Like Ralph, it was rugged and durable and became the dominate Navy fighter in the Pacific. Returning home, Ralph continued to embody the Hellcat's reputation and fought everyday for every Texan. Joining the the American Legion in 1946, Ralph became an active member embracing the values of the American Legion and using those values to guide him while serving in public office.

As a Congressman he was a tireless advocate for veterans. Many of the benefits veterans enjoy today were because of his efforts. A 73 year member of the American Legion and the Rockwall Terry Fisher Post #117, Ralph inspired all fellow veterans by epitomizing the Legion's commitment of "Continuing to Serve." He loved our American Constitution, embraced American Exceptionalism and will be forever remembered as a true patriot.

The men and women of the Terry Fisher American Legion Post mourn his passing while also rejoicing in the knowledge and understanding that we will see him again in a better place. We pray for his family at this time of sorrow and encourage them by the warm memory of a great American who inspired so many to serve others before themselves.

Terry Fisher American Legion Post #117  
Rockwall, Texas

**Mark kipphut** - March 10 at 01:49 PM



“ Well said, Mark.

**Tom Hughes** - March 14 at 01:13 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy to you. Hold on to the memories you have made together. Thinking of you...

Gloria Nelson  
Ed Heath  
Sue Wilcox



“ We have suffered a great loss. Ralph was a true Patriot and friend to all. RIP, Sir.

Joe & Connie Lynch

Joe Lynch - March 10 at 12:49 PM

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“ Remembering you with so much love and gratitude. Rearing my daughter as a single mom presented numerous challenges to say the least. However, We were blessed that great men from this community stepped up to serve as role models and mentors and father figures. Men such as Tommy Hooper, Mac Huffaker and Ralph Hall. All of these amazing men are now in Heaven, yet their love and tutelage remain. Meredith had the honor of serving as Congressman Hall's intern and a special bond developed. With all the major issues and obligations he was charged with, he still made time for us. Ralph was the first call Meredith and Ben received (while still in the delivery room) the night their baby girl was born. Cherished messages remain on my phone of Ralph checking in to ascertain Meredith's condition following each hospitalization. He was larger than life, with a great sense of humor, and a love for Rockwall and her citizens. Thank you Ralph Hall. "Well done thy good and faithful servant".

Rest In Peace And Rise in Glory.

Hamp, Brett and Blake,

Thank you for sharing your Dad (and Mom) with all of Rockwall. I pray that the impact he made on this community and our Nation will bring you comfort in the days to come.

Our community has lost a hero and a friend, but y'all have lost your Daddy.

My deepest sympathies,

Love and prayers,

Darlene Reed

darlene reed - March 09 at 05:44 PM

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“ So sorry to hear off your loss Our prayers and thoughts are with your family. From Troy Turner and Patty Blankenship Family's





“ I’m saddened by the passing of such a sweet, brilliant, warm and loving man. I grew up knowing him from his friendship with my granddad, Derwood Wimpee. I would see them around town at the courthouse and I remember him coming to my grandparents home on Tyler St. and he brought all the grandkids a framed government looking proclamation something and those famous encircled pennies, “All for Hall”. Later in life, he was on my mind and I asked him if I could tell him about a book idea I had for him as a children’s book. He met my daughter, Brittnee Belt and I for lunch, we talked about it and we offered to pay, but he wouldn’t let us. He also asked us to come see his cool “retro” 1960’s style home where he may have passed away from, not sure. I was in charge of our 30th RHS Class Reunion that year, (2011) and asked him to be our guest speaker, and he happily agreed! We were all so honored to have him be there at the RHS Homecoming game that year as we all celebrated and he spoke Sat. night at our 30th Reunion at Culpeppers. He told myself and my HS best friend Jade Daniel Thompson (whom he already knew from previous government meetings on other things that he had a dream about his wife in Heaven, Mary Ellen. He described seeing her and the memory/story he shared of it was soo precious. 8 years later, he is now with her forever singing, laughing and dancing! Thank you for allowing us s place to share our amazing memories of him and how he touched our lives! Holli Harris Kenney



Holli Harris Kenney - March 09 at 02:44 PM

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“ Freida Hall Harris lit a candle in memory of Congressman Ralph Hall



Freida Hall Harris - March 09 at 02:36 PM

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“ Deepest condolences to the family of our favorite politician, the great Ralph Hall. I can remember back to the 1970's when my mom and her friend Diane Miliken gave a "tea" at our house for Ralph when he first started his run in Politics. My friend Wendy and I got to act as junior hostesses. We thought we had hit the big time! Ralph was so nice and gracious to us then. The last time I remember seeing him was at Walmart Market and he was buying groceries. We said hello and chatted for a minute and off he went! It was a pleasure to have known him.

**diedra sutton** - March 09 at 01:50 PM

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“ Richard Dial lit a candle in memory of Congressman Ralph Hall



**Richard Dial** - March 09 at 01:30 PM

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“ Helen Moran lit a candle in memory of Congressman Ralph Hall



**Helen Moran** - March 09 at 10:17 AM



“ Judy Hanna sends her condolence to the family.

**Judy Hanna** - March 09 at 12:53 PM

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“ I met Ralph in 1987 in Rockwall. I opened Shirey's BBQ and every Thursday Ralph would come in and bring his friends and folks he worked with here in Rockwall and Washington. He was always so proud of our little restaurant. He was very supportive and a huge part of our success. I will never forget the time he asked us to cater BBQ at his home; he said he had a couple of friends coming over. We prepared the food and delivered to his home. He asked if I could stay to meet his friends and I said

sure. They arrived shortly after and much to my surprise, in walks Charleston Heston and Buzz Aldrin. Needless to say, I felt very proud to be part of that event... Ralph was a good friend and I will never forget his support of our family business.

**Tom Shirey** - March 09 at 09:46 AM

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“ Nancy Walden lit a candle in memory of Congressman Ralph Hall



**Nancy Walden** - March 08 at 11:55 PM

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“ Rudy Walker lit a candle in memory of Congressman Ralph Hall



**Rudy Walker** - March 08 at 09:17 PM

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“ Our sweet Ralph and Mary Ellen were just a mom and dad to many of us in the sixties. Ralph would say it takes a village to raise a child, thus he and Mary Ellen loved each and everyone of us. What good people and how lucky we were to have them in our hometown lives. How proud Rockwall is to have had such a grand leader from the smallest county in Texas. All for Hall from Rockwall.

**Ann White** - March 08 at 07:50 PM

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“ Congressman Hall was gracious to our family. We send our most sincere sympathy to his family. Shalom. The John Albritton Family

**gayle albritton** - March 08 at 07:35 PM

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“ Pamela Anderson lit a candle in memory of Congressman Ralph Hall



**pamela anderson** - March 08 at 06:56 PM

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“ I met Mr. Hall at ARCO when he gave a talk about the oil business. He told me he had grown up with my parents, Edd and Onella Shewmake. He told the audience he was in a bank when Bonnie and Clyde walked in to rob the bank. Ralph hid under a table while the bullets were flying! Great teller of tales. We loved him.

**Cheryl Shewmake Daniels** - March 08 at 06:55 PM

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“ I'm so sorry for the loss of a great man. He was there for my parents. I have known him my whole life - I would call him granddad when I saw him in town. I will miss him.

Love and miss you.



**Beth massey Richardson** - March 08 at 04:25 PM

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“ M is following this tribute.

**M** - March 08 at 02:46 PM

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“ Rockwall feels like it has lost a piece of it's soul. We will never forget being under the big tent in his backyard for a political rally or the way he teased Anabel when we were at the square on election night. He was a big presence and completely approachable - at the same time.

Andrea Burke

andrea burke - March 08 at 02:06 PM

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“ The last thing he said to me was, you know I love you. My heart is broken right now, but I know I will see him again. He took great pride in his family and mentioned you a lot. He put my son on the direct path to success when he nominated him to the Naval Academy. Rest in peace, my dearest friend. Praying for all of the family with utmost sincerity. God bless you.

Teresa Packer - March 08 at 01:24 PM



“ A long, long time friend that always introduced me as his first lawyer client and I suppose I was in 1958. I would love to tell the story, but there just isn't the space here. He asked me on numerous occasions to come visit him in DC and he would show me the town and I am now sad that I didn't. I will truly miss him.

Leslie (Les) Vaughn Gray

**Leslie (Les) Vaughn Gray** - March 08 at 07:56 PM

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“ To the Hall Family,

While losing a parent is never easy, I can't help but reflect on the life that Ralph Hall lived and the many lives that he touched in his 95 years here on earth. I remember my daddy, John Vank, talking about how he and your dad both served in WW2. The heritage and legacy that Ralph Hall leaves behind is a testimony of a good man and person and he will live on in the lives of his family, and friends. I will never forget the night that my oldest son, John David, called me and said, "Mom, I just came out of the 7-11 here in Rockwall and Mr. Hall, stopped me and introduced me to Former President George H.W. Bush. He was so excited and has told the story many times. Through the years, Ralph attended many family weddings and funerals. I remember on one such occasion that another friend asked, "Is that Congressman Ralph Hall?" Of course, the answer was yes. Rockwall is not the same but the people who made it are. Your dad is one of those people and as an old time Rockwall/Heath person, I am forever grateful for all he did and stood for as he served our great country. Thank you for sharing your dad with all of us.

Praying for you,  
Janet Vank Evans

**Janet Vank Evans** - March 08 at 10:38 AM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers go out to the family.

**Cheryl Caldwell McKnight** - March 07 at 07:35 PM

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“ Tricia and I will never forget the time that I was in DC on business and she came with me. We so wanted to get in the White House but could not get in. Ralph's office said that he wasn't coming back to D.C. until Tuesday that week and to get in he had to meet us at the White House gate. When I said we were flying back Tuesday a.m. and that we appreciated their efforts, we just enjoyed the rest of our stay in D.C.— Sunday evening I got a call and Ralph's office said: “be at the White House gate at a certain time Monday morning.” So, we go Monday a.m. and wait. Up walks Ralph. I said: “I thought you weren't coming back until tomorrow?” His response: “I wasn't, but you and Tricia need to see the White House.” Or the time I'm waiting in the DPS line to renew my driver's license and it was a long line. In comes Ralph and I'm thinking Ralph, you need to go ahead of us. He would not even consider it. When I had a personal decision to make, I wanted his opinion. He found the time to call me and he gave me his valuable input. I'm sure in heaven this morning Peter, James and John's anticipation was all about getting to hear first-hand the great story teller who had a way of relating to anyone and everyone—a real gift—a gift that Ralph never wasted.

Hamp, Brett and Blake thanks for sharing your dad with the rest of us. We can never fully appreciate the cost, but I for one know he was very proud of each one of you. Tricia and I are praying for you as your families transition to life without Ralph's physical presence.

Patrick & Tricia Short

**Patrick Short** - March 07 at 07:28 PM

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“ Hamp, Brett and Blakey, my heart broke when I heard about Ralph's passing. What a wonderful, kind, special man he was. What a life of accomplishments. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

**Nada Angel** - March 07 at 06:27 PM

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“ Ralph was a family friend of the Cookston's for generations. Many good memories of Ralph.  
Our love to the Hamp, Brett and Blakely and family.  
Prayers during this time

**Toni Cookston** - March 07 at 05:50 PM



“ I knew Ralph Hall in his capacity as a representative, serving people in his district! Working with the North Texas AKS Asociation, I visited him and others to help provide funding for those with Amyotoohic Lareral Sclerosis, a terminal illness. Mr. Hall was always gracious, gentle, and kind listeners to our stories and helped our patients every chance he got! He was a great man and I know will be missed by so many,

God Bless you, family, friends & colleagues who have know him throughout his life—what a gift he was! May the memories you made together help soothe the sorrow you have today. He blessed this world with living-kindness & caring service that you can be proud for his character, leadership, & service availleth much! My gift was just in meeting him and knowing he was working to help and service his constituents within our organization. I am am grateful to have known him! Prayers, Blessings, & heart hugs to all if you!

**Doris RicksLankford** - March 08 at 06:30 AM



“ Lena Apala now orphan from Rockwall I went to school with congressman Hall boys year's ago and your father and mom we're the greatest friends to my mom and dad Rose and Jim Apala. My prayers and condolences I will miss him He always had a smile and something nice to say. Love all of you prayers from again from this Chickasaw Indian now in Oklahoma Lena Apala now orphan.

**Lena Apala now orphan** - March 08 at 09:15 AM



“ I often think of Sarah, Ralph's granddaughter, telling me that she and Paw Paw Ralph had been outside that afternoon. She stated she was the "stick lady" and he was the "medicine man". She said they were kicking the ants fannies. He was an awesome grandparent to Sarah and Amanda.

Ralph once told me that many people elected to public office would go to Washington D.C. and forget about those who elected them. He said he never wanted to be one of those. He was faithful to the constituents he served until the end.

**Glyniss** - March 07 at 04:50 PM



“ Hamp, Brett and Blake,  
I'm so sorry to hear about Ralph's passing. Rockwall won't be the same for sure. He had a long life and loved our country so much. He showed this love by his military service during WWII and serving in Congress for so many years. He will be missed so much. Please know you and your families will be in my prayers.  
Glenda Lofland

**Glenda Lofland** - March 07 at 03:49 PM



“ Ralph was wonderful to our family and no matter how far away we are from Texas, his memory always was with us. Rest In Peace Ralph.

**Janis and Ron LaGrone** - March 09 at 01:11 PM



“ I was so saddened when hearing of Ralph's passing. Ralph....not Mr. Hall; Ralph, that's what most of us called him. He was one of us! He loved Rockwall and its residents. He was always available to others during times of need. He and my Dad would talk to each other about their WWII service experiences. Both are true heroes. Rockwall has truly lost a great friend! My prayers for the family. Our memories of Ralph will last many years. And we'll never forget "All For Hall From Rockwall!"

**James McCasland** - March 09 at 11:39 PM



“ I was so sad to hear of my friend Ralph Hall's passing - he was such an amazing person. I remember him always having a story to tell - and it didn't matter what the topic was, he has something to say about it. He was always a ray of hope and you never knew quite what story he was going to tell. An amazing man and the epitome of the Southern Gentleman, and the best Texan I have ever known He will truly be missed by all of us. Rest in Peace dear friend.

**Tricia Harris** - March 11 at 09:41 AM