Charles Richard "Dick" Brammell

March 17, 1932 - June 15, 2017 Obituary

Charles Richard "Dick" Brammell passed away on June 15, 2017 at the age of 85 years in New Orleans, Louisiana. Dick was born at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas on March 17, 1932 and lived in Akron, Ohio, Norman, Oklahoma, Tyler, Texas and Jackson, Mississippi before moving to New Orleans in 1960. He resided in Metairie from 1962 until his death. He is preceded in death by his father Colonel Charles Harrison Brammell, His mother Marion Brawner Upham Brammell and his brother Philip Harrison Brammell. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Eleanor Ann Delange Brammell, three children, Sally Brammell (David), Harry Brammell (Jennifer), Patrick Brammell, and three grandchildren, Madeleine Fox, Jonah Fox and Harrison Brammell. Dick attended middle school, high school and Jr. College in Tyler, Texas before graduating from the University of Oklahoma in January, 1955 with a B.S. degree in Geology and a ROTC commission as a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army Field Artillery. After serving in the Army in South Korea in 1955 /56 and being discharged as a 1st Lt. Dick began his 39 year career as a petroleum geologist in the oil and gas industry in March, 1957 with Gulf Oil Corp. He also worked for Sinclair Oil Co., CNG Producing Co. and Graham Resources before retiring with ODECO/Murphy Oil Corp. in 1996. Dick was a longtime member of the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) and had achieved the ACBL rank of silver Life Master. He was also a member of the Louisiana Bridge Association (LBA) where he served on the BOD and was a past president and tournament coordinator. Dick and his wife Ellie co-chaired the registration desk at numerous National, Regional and Sectional tournaments held in New Orleans and Metairie. Dick was also a member of St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Metairie where he had served on the Vestry and as Church Treasurer and also as a regular usher at Sunday services.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend a memorial service on June 24, 2017 at noon at St. Martin's Episcopal Church at 2216 Metairie Road. Visitation will begin at 10:00 am. Interment will be in the family plot in Tyler, Texas at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the St. Martins Church Foundation Fund