Milestones: Obituaries and death notices

Gene D. Runnels

CARLSBAD — A graveside memorial service for Gene D. Runnels, 89, of West Bonbright Street will be 1 p.m. Saturday at Carlsbad Cemetery with brother-in-law Quirees of New San Jose Church of Christ officiating.

There will be no visitation. Cremation has taken place.

Mr. Runnels died Thursday, April 25, 2002, at University Medical Center in Lubbock, Texas.

West Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Gene Douglas Runnels was born July 74, 1912, in Altus, Okla., to Hollywood Runnels and Bertha I. Smith Runnels. He came to Carlsbad at a very young age and was raised and educated here, graduating from Carlsbad High School in 1931.

He married Irene Mason on Aug. 3, 1932, in Carlsbad. Gene was previously employed as a custodian for HBS at WNMU.

He enjoyed sports and music. He had played saxophone and guitar for "The Shadows" in the 1960s.

Gene was a member of New San Jose Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by his mother, father, stepfather, Wilbur Brewer, and a brother, Donnie Brewer.

Survivors include: sons, Billy Runnels of Lubbock and Brian Runnels of Carlsbad; daughter, Dina Runnels of Carlsbad; brother, Phillip Runnels of Carlsbad; sister, Jayne Jones of San Diego, Calif., and three grandchil-

dren, Erica Salcido, Marti Runnels and Drew Runnels of Carlsbad.

Honorary pallbearers will be Al Sowers, Dick Young and Herman Hurst.
Steve,

you asked me to get the
guy's name..... here it is,
in the obits! By the way,
he isn't the first.
The "hard right" is building!

Betty