

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION  
OF  
THE ROTARY CLUB OF GALVESTON  
IN REGULAR SESSION AT  
GALVESTON, TEXAS, NOVEMBER 13, 2013**

**HONORING ITS BELOVED FORMER MEMBER**

**LEE BYRON ANSELL  
1922-2013**

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**WHEREAS, LEE BYRON ANSELL** known to us as **LEE**, departed this life on November 3, 2013 at the age of 90.

**WE, THE ROTARY CLUB OF GALVESTON, DO HEREBY RESOLVE, THAT:**

Our Club mourns the loss of **LEE ANSELL**, a highly respected and valued member of our Club.

Lee was born on December 7, 1922 in Galveston to Wallace and Edna Ansell. He was raised in Galveston and graduated from Ball High School in 1939. He attended Tarlton Agricultural and Mechanical College, where he met his wife Winifred Bean. Like many of his generation, Lee's character was shaped in large measure by his experiences in World War II. Lee joined the U.S. Army shortly after the war began and served as a Technical Sergeant in the 414<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment of the famed 104<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division. It was known as the "Timberwolf Division" and Lee saw combat in France, Holland, Belgium and Germany. He was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, the Bronze Star, the Presidential Unit Citation and the Purple Heart for serious wounds he received in combat. It was common to hear veterans and his many friends affectionately refer to Lee simply as "Sarge."

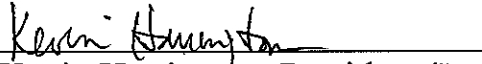
After the war, Lee returned to Galveston with his beloved Wini where they started a wonderful family. Four sons kept them very involved and they enjoyed every minute of it. They were tremendous parents. He also began a long and distinguished career as a Certified Public Accountant. Lee was a member of the American Institute of Certified Accountancy and many other professional associations. He was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, Harmony Lodge No. 6, York Rite Masons, El Mina Shrine Temple, The Artillery Club of Galveston, The Knights of Momus, "The Geezers" and many other civic organizations. Lee was an avid outdoorsman and loved duck hunting. He was a long time member of Port Bay Hunting Club in Rockport, Texas and loved spending time there with family and friends. After both had become widowed, Lee married Gloria Adriance in 1998. They enjoyed a beautiful, loving marriage until Lee's death.

Lee's Galveston Rotary Club membership spanned 59 years and he was one of our most respected and beloved members. We will always remember Lee as a great member and leader of our Rotary Club. He was a Paul Harris Fellow and above all, he was our trusted friend upon whom we could always count. Lee was not a talkative person, but when he spoke everyone listened. Countless friends and clients sought his advice and counsel on a host of business, community and personal matters. Lee always wore a sweet smile and greeted everyone with a soft and caring voice. Lee was truly a kind and gentle soul. He will be greatly missed.

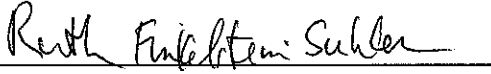
Lee lived a wonderful life and was a great American. He served his God, his family, friends and nation to the fullest. Lee loved being a Rotarian. He truly lived his life in accordance with our Rotary motto of "SERVICE ABOVE SELF." We all know that when Lee arrived at the gates of Heaven, God walked over to the entryway and announced to all present: "This is my beloved Lee in whom I am well pleased. I have prepared a special place for him in my Kingdom."

The Rotary Club of Galveston wishes to note, with deep regret, the passing of LEE ANSELL, a loyal member, cherished friend and exceptional man. We bestow our sincere sympathy to his wife Gloria, to his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, as well as other family members and friends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this RESOLUTION be entered in the minutes of this Club, made a permanent part of the records of the Rotary Club of Galveston, and that copies be presented to Lee's family.

  
Kevin Harrington, President

I, Ruth Finkelstein Suhler, Secretary of the Rotary Club of Galveston, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY A STANDING VOTE OF THE MEMBERS at the regular meeting of our Club in Galveston, Texas, on November 13, 2013.

  
Ruth Finkelstein Suhler, Secretary

  
Michael J. Guarino  
Remembrance Committee Chairman