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Captain Robert J. "Pat" Rupp passed away Sunday, May 13, 2012 at his home in Covington, LA. He was born March 17, 1932 in Hannibal, MO to the late Willard A. and Carolyn Zimmerman Rupp and has been a resident of Covington since 1958.

The beloved husband of Linda Knapp Rupp, he is survived by four daughters: Leesa R. Rupp, Teresa M. Rupp, Terri Ott Viola (Dale) and Angela Rupp Harris (David); two sons, Clifford "Dave" Ott III (Fayla) and Patrick A. Rupp (Michelle); 17 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother, Willard "Jake" Rupp and sons-in-law, Joseph O. Manuel, Jr. and Ed Jenkins.

Pat lived a very full life. He was a Pilot for Delta Airlines for 35 years and a faithful member of First Baptist Church of Covington. A veteran of the U.S. Army, he proudly and gently loved God, his family, friends, life and Country.

Interment at Pinecrest Memorial Gardens in Covington took place following a private funeral service at E.J. Fielding Funeral Home.

Memorial donations may be sent to First Baptist Church of Covington, 16333 Highway 1085, Covington, LA 70433.



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CH

Capt Daniel E. Holloway posted:

Pat was ever the gentleman and a joy to fly with.

May 22 at 6:19 AM

CK

Cindy Townsend Kempski posted:

I am so sorry that I'm just now knowing of your loss. Terri, please know that you and your precious family are in our prayers. Love you.

May 21 at 3:47 PM

RJ

Rollin A. Jackson, Jr. posted:

Survivors of "Pat", On behalf of Delta Golden Wings, Inc., I send a bundle of condolences from the many members that flew with or knew Pat. He and his wife were members of DGW thru 2006, but we will never forget him as another true professional in serving the traveling public as a Delta pilot. Fraternaly, we send our best wishes to each family member as they struggle with sadness in the loss of one so dear to family. May God's compassion be with each of you at this time of grief.

May 21 at 5:42 AM

JM

Jack And Ann Mcguyer posted:

PLEASE ACCEPT OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU IN YOUR TIME OF LOSS.

May 20 at 2:10 PM

DR

Doug Rounds posted:

Pat Rupp was what made the Delta we all remember great. A gentleman, great pilot with a smile you never forgot. A TRUE gentleman--God Speed Pat, Blue Skies and Tailwinds. My condolences to the Rupp family.

May 19 at 6:52 PM



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JN

Jim Nowell posted:

I flew with Pat back in the late 70's and early 80's, and he was always such a pleasure to fly with--- such a gentleman, so positive and kind. I remember one time when he treated the entire crew to dinner. May God bless and comfort you during this time of grief.

May 19 at 6:25 PM

GD

Gerard J Derenthal posted:

Pat and I flew together on the ole Connies out of EWR in the late fifties. One of the finest pilots and gentleman I have had the pleasure to know at Delta. My sincere sympathies to all the family. Gerry Derenthal

May 19 at 4:14 AM

TC

Tom Carney posted:

Linda, I always smile when I think of the nickname you had for Pat. "VW" possessed a wisdom and manner achieved by few and admired by all. May God Comfort You and Your Family

May 18 at 11:57 AM

BB

Bob Brandon posted:

A fine and talented Captain, and a perfect gentleman. It was a real pleasure to have known and flown with Pat back in the "good ole days". Bob Brandon

May 18 at 11:18 AM

JB

John Burkart posted:

I was privileged to have flown copilot for Pat back in the early 70's. Never was there a more perfect gentleman or kinder human being than Pat. My sympathies to His family. John Burkart

May 18 at 4:45 AM

AS

Al And Mary Ben Seeger posted:

Linda and family, Our deepest synpathies. Al and Mary Ben

May 18 at 4:15 AM



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JK

Jim Kachadurian posted:

It is with great sadness that I learned of the passing of Captain Rupp. Pat was the first Captain I ever flew with at Delta Airlines and to this day I try to live up to the leadership and ideals that Pat displayed. I remember a truly wonderful man and a pilot's pilot. In Sympathy, James Kachadurian
Capt Delta Airlines

May 17 at 6:24 PM

PM

Pat Mcgirl posted:

Capt. Pat Rupp was the consummate Delta Captain. He always had a kind word for everyone. He was quiet, but his personality was infectious. We will miss his dry wit and professionalism. He was an inspiration to all who knew him. Godspeed, Pat.

May 17 at 5:47 PM

JG

Jennifer Griffin posted:

Linda, and the rest of the family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Pat was such a wonderful person who will be sorely missed by all who knew him. Beautiful thoughts and much love is being sent to you. God bless you all. Much Love, Jennifer

May 17 at 5:22 PM

TF

Travis Foster posted:

My condolences to the Family of Captain Pat Rupp. He is one of the reasons we thought of Delta as a Family.

May 17 at 5:04 PM

HT

Hester Thompsonleblanc posted:

Dear Teresa & family--Please accept my sincere sympathy in the loss of your precious father. I've had the pleasure of serving him at the restaurant-'Mattina Bella'- for the last few years. And I do mean pleasure. He was such a gentleman and so very sweet all the time. We will certainly miss his gentle spirit at the restaurant. Love, Hester

May 17 at 2:25 PM



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Jt Galloway posted:

Sorry seems so incomplete. My thoughts and prayers are with all of the family and especially Aunt Linda. Uncle Pat & Aunt Linda have been part of my life as long as I remember. I can't imagine Uncle Pat not being there if I need him. He has always been there for me as an advisor & loved uncle. I can just see him smile and laugh with Aunt Linda and my parents sitting at the round table in their kitchen drinking coffee. Wishing everyone much peace and love.

May 17 at 2:24 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Robert by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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