

Retired Battalion Chief Edwin Goodwin passed away Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at the age of 90. Ed grew up in Austin and joined AFD in 1954 after two tours in the Navy and some time at the University of Texas. He retired in 1986 with 31 years and two months of service. He worked at Stations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 14 and 18.

Ed was well-liked and well-respected. He was skilled on the fireground and had high expectations of his people. Retired Division Chief Tommy Anderson says that there were a lot of good chiefs in the Department, and Ed was one of the best. Tommy credits Ed with getting him to promote. The two of them were “study maniacs.”

Retired Battalion Chief Roger Roe, also a good friend, says that Ed’s crews wanted to do a good job because they knew *he* wanted to do a good job. Roger says Ed was trustworthy, had a great sense of humor, and was especially dedicated to his family.

Ed’s daughter Lisa says that her father loved the Fire Department. His side jobs included cleaning windows and selling real estate. Ed was also a painter; he belonged to the Waterloo Watercolor Group.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 2 PM Monday, October 8, 2018 at Cook-Walden Funeral Home, 6100 N. Lamar Blvd, in Austin.

Ed was a member of the Benevolent Fund.

Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers.

