



## Harold Zoellick

May 23, 1932 - February 10, 2025

Harold Zoellick of Mundelein, IL passed away peacefully at age 92 on February 10, 2025, at his home of 58 years, in the company of his daughter, Jane Zoellick Haller and his caregiver, Al.

Harold was born in Chicago, IL on May 23, 1932 to William T. and Marie (Kosche) Zoellick, the youngest of four sons. He grew up in Chicago, graduating from Morgan Park High School, and attended Missouri School of Mines before enrolling in the U.S. Navy Aviation Cadet Program and becoming a Naval Aviator. While stationed in Hutchinson, Kansas as a Naval Flight Instructor, he met the love of his life Loretta Ewy. They married on February 23, 1957 and began 60 loving years together. After living in Chicago and in Dearborn, MI, in 1966 the couple settled in their lakeside home in Mundelein.

Harold was a career pilot, flying for Eastern Airlines, General Motors, and American Airlines. At home, he built, fixed, improved, and maintained nearly everything his family owned, loved spending time with Loretta and their children, and enjoyed many family vacation adventures, foreign and domestic. He believed in God, and that he had the best job there was, the Boeing 707 was the best airplane, and the 1947 DeSoto was the best car. After retiring from American Airlines in 1992, he spent many happy times traveling with Loretta, in weekly afternoons with flying friends at Walpole Airport, making

whimsical woodworking projects, and enjoying visits with and from extended family, especially his grandchildren.

Harold is survived by his children, Steve (Jane) and Mike (Anne) Zoellick, and Jane Zoellick Haller; grandchildren Claire Zoellick Richcreek (Matt), Sarah Zoellick and Miles Zoellick, and James Haller and Dane Haller, all of whom have inherited Harold's humor and sense of play, by his brother, Ray Zoellick of Mountlake Terrace, WA; and by many beloved nieces and nephews. He was preceded in passing by his beloved wife, Loretta, his brothers William (Bill) and Ralph, and his parents.

The entire family wishes to express their profound gratitude and love to Harold's daughter Jane, who cared for him and enabled him to live his final years at home as he wished. Jane is especially grateful for the support of John Stringer, Jim Haller, Alfer Guimales, Harold's devoted and uplifting caregiver, and Journey Care Home Health and Hospice.

A visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m. followed by a service at 12:00 noon on Saturday, February 15, 2025 at Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Avenue in Libertyville, IL. Burial will follow at Lakeside Cemetery in Libertyville. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a memorial gift in Harold's name to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, the Alzheimer's Association, or the charity of your choice. For information: (847) 362-3009 or you may share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 15. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
120 West Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048  
(847) 362-3009

## Funeral Service

FEB 15. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

HO

“ Please accept my most sincere condolences on Hal’s passing. I was senior to “Zeke” and have fond memories of times that we were paired together. Once on a layover in San Francisco we put on our running shoes and ran the length of the Golden Gate bridge. Took the ferry back as we enjoyed a cold beer while congratulating ourselves. Told me then that if he ever got a vanity license plate for his car it would be “Run,2,3,4”. Don’t know if he ever did but I thought it a neat idea. God bless his family for taking such good care of him. Again, my sympathies. Herb Oechsel

Herb Oechsel - February 14, 2025 at 11:54 PM

JH

Thank you for sharing the great memory! Run 2,3,4 must have been unavailable but I believe he had Run 2,1,2 for a vehicle once. With the benefit of your reminder I will try again! All best to you. Thank you for your friendship.

Jane Zoellick Haller - February 21, 2025 at 09:34 PM

TM

“ Not only did Zeke teach me alot when I was a green copilot on the B727, but he was one of the nicest gentlemen I have ever flown with. Safe journey flying west on your final flight and God bless you. Sincerely, Tom Moquin

Thomas Moquin - February 14, 2025 at 07:22 PM

JH

Thank you for saying so! The 707 and 727 flying days were his favorites. Thank you for being part of that for him.

Jane Zoellick Haller - February 21, 2025 at 09:36 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harold Zoellick.*



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February 14, 2025 at 01:34 PM



“ *Dear Steve and Jane, Mike and Anne, Jane, and families. We are all very saddened by the loss of another one of the great Zoellick Bros. Your Dad and Uncle Ralph were so good about coming west to help my Dad with a couple of significant home projects. The garden shed they put together still bears the signature of the Zoellick Bros. It makes me smile every time I see it while rummaging around the shed. I have such fond memories of staying at your parents' home in Mundelein and sailing on the lake in the summer and skating on it one December. Most recently, Jolene and I were so fortunate to be able to swing by on our way to and from graduate school in Connecticut to hang out with your Dad. Jo was pretty amazed by how much your Dad reminded her of her own Grandpa and loved his sense of humor as well. We are so happy to hear that his sense of fun has been passed down to another generation of Zoellicks and Hallers. Wish we could be there as you remember your wonderful Dad and Grandpa. We definitely will be there in spirit. In sympathy and with much love, Jenny, Gregg, Aaron, and Jolene*

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**Jenny Strand** - February 13, 2025 at 08:22 PM