



## Arnold Charles Allen

October 28, 1939 - November 10, 2025

Captain Arnold C. Allen, a proud United States Naval Academy graduate and dedicated officer, passed away peacefully on Monday morning. After attending the Naval Academy, Arnie served with distinction for multiple decades, retiring with the rank of Captain from the Nuclear Submarine program. Even in retirement, his devotion to service continued through the Naval Reserves and by assisting with admissions screening for the Naval Academy in New Mexico, helping guide the next generation of naval leaders.

Following his military career, Arnie channeled his passion for entrepreneurship into the business world. After carefully evaluating numerous ventures, he founded Battery Power Specialists, an automotive battery distribution company that he grew into the largest battery store in New Mexico. Beyond his professional and military achievements, Arnie found his greatest joy in family--coaching his three sons in sports, mentoring others in his community, and serving on several boards.

1991 brought Arnie to Houston, Texas. Having sold his business, he came looking for a new venture. There he not only found a job, but he found the love of his life, Andie. The new job took Arnie to Denver, Colorado, and after much convincing, Andie sold her Houston home and interior design business, married the man, and moved to Denver. Coincidentally, Denver was Andie's birthplace and still home of many relatives and friends. Professionally Arnie's

career took another turn when he was hired by Bolder, as in bold, a Golden, CO firm specializing in a new battery technology. Arnie rose to the ranks of VP but burned out when the company went public. It took the "fun" out of it, he said.

Thus, in 1999, urged by a friend who said he would be a great "headhunter", Arnie decided to start a new business and formed his own firm, Impact, an executive placement firm specializing in the battery industry. Life in Denver was good, and it was a wonderful opportunity for Arnie to become a dear part of Andie's family and old childhood friends. However, because Andie yearned to be back in Texas, they settled on Austin, joined the newly founded Temple Beth Shalom and formed "to this day" many wonderful friendships.

His business did very well, and after 16 years he retired to a life of swimming 2 miles, 5 days per week, joking with "the guys" in the breakfast group and the lunch group, enjoying some travel and evenings out with wife and friends. Although the past 3 1/2 years following his mesothelioma diagnosis were difficult, in total his was a well lived life, a life of discipline, integrity and deep commitment to his wife, family and friends. He will be missed!

Arnie leaves his wife, Andrea (Andie), sons Doug Allen (Debbie), Steve Allen (Cassie), Scott Allen (Julie), step sons Todd Phares (Belinda), Mark Phares (Mary Frances), brother Leo Allen (Jocelyn), brother in law Mike King (Sophie) and 15 grand children: Conner, Aidan, Lela, Lucas, Ariel, Lleyton, Jessica, Sean, Gavin, Kennedy, Owen, Griffin, Carstens, Curry and Annaben.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations may be made in Arnie's (z"l) loving memory to Temple Beth Shalom (<https://www.bethshalomaustin.org/form/give>) or the American Cancer Society (<https://www.cancer.org/donate.html>).



# Cemetery Details

## Austin Memorial Park

2800 Hancock Dr.  
Austin, TX 78731

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

NOV **14**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Temple Beth Shalom  
7300 Hart Ln.  
Austin, TX 78731

## Graveside Service

NOV **14**. 11:45 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Austin Memorial Park  
2800 Hancock Dr.  
Austin, TX 78731

# Tribute Wall

MH

“ I first met Arnie following my marriage to Debbie and that began our friendship. Who else could take me on a tour of an active nuclear sub and still be so humble. I will miss our phone calls about everything & nothing. The call started with an off color remark and went downhill from there-they were great and I miss them already.  
Mel

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**Mel Haller** - November 14, 2025 at 12:48 PM

DA

“ I will never forget my childhood memories of Arnie and Andie. Never without a smile! Rest easy Uncle Arnie- you deserve peace and love, forever.

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**Danielle** - November 14, 2025 at 11:22 AM



“ Thank you for being like that best uncle to our young kids. Always appreciated.  
Love, Paula and Dennis

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**Paula King** - November 13, 2025 at 10:50 PM

PZ

“ Heartfelt condolences for the Allen family. I am sure your Dad, and friend will be always missed, but never forgotten. ~ Barbara and Paul Zamora

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**Paul & Barbara Zamora** - November 13, 2025 at 07:47 PM

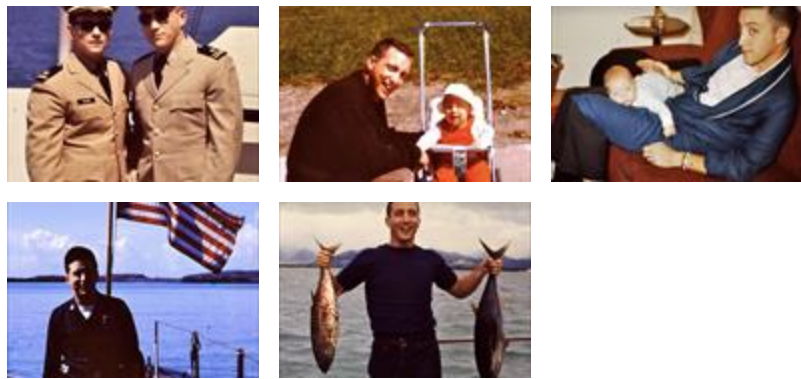


“ Arnie's genuine kindness and wit will be missed. He was a highly accomplished, admirable person who we were blessed to have known. Thank you Andie for falling in love with Arnie and bringing him into our family! Love, Rhonda & Jeff Nell

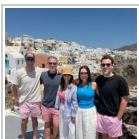
Rhonda Nell - November 13, 2025 at 01:23 PM



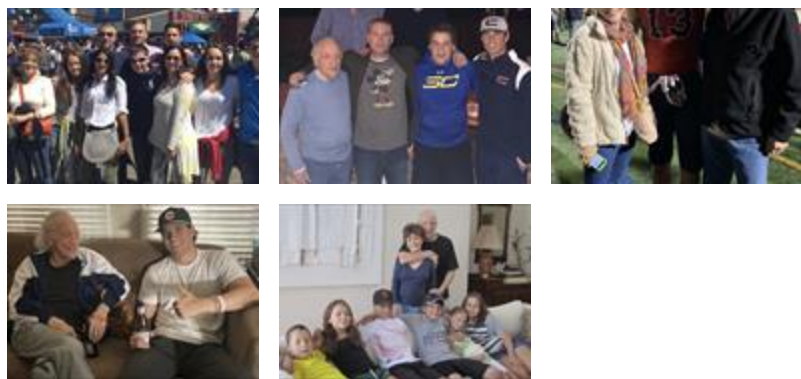
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