



# Southwestern Texas Synod

## Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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### In Memory of Lewis Floyd Westerman April 21, 1950 - January 16, 2021

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of [Lewis Floyd Westerman](#), loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend on January 16, 2021. Lewis was born in San Antonio on April 25, 1950. He is survived by his wife of fifty years, Terry Bean Westerman; daughters, Amy Kay Westerman and Jenny Marie Westerman Trefzer and husband Rick; granddaughters, Emma Jane Trefzer and Allie Elizabeth Trefzer; sister, Sandra Knox of Coleman, Texas, and husband Nick; brothers, Allen Westerman and wife Courtney, and Duane Westerman and wife Karen; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd and Ruby Kneupper Westerman; grandnephew, Samuel Allen Pampel.

He graduated from Alamo Heights High School in 1968 and Texas A&M University in 1972. He received his MBA from Texas A&M University in 1974.

Lewis spent 26 years working for the Barshop family developing real estate and was active in the business community. He finished his career with Silver Ventures, spending almost 14 years on the development of Pearl. He was awarded the Philip M. Barshop Founders Award in 2007.

Lewis had a servant heart, dedicating himself to improving his community, volunteering with various organizations. Most recently he served as Chairman of the Board of Regents at Texas Lutheran University. Over his life, he served on many boards including St. Luke's Lutheran Hospital, St. Luke's Lutheran Health Ministries, Baptist Memorial HealthCare Systems, Lutheran Foundation of the Southwest, Christ Lutheran Church, San Antonio Children's Foundation, Real Estate Council of San Antonio, Brooks Development Authority.

Lewis was a devoted family man. At 11, he met his wife, Terry, at Christ Lutheran Church where their families became close and life-long friends. Coaching his daughter's Little League teams brought great joy to his life. In his free time, Lewis enjoyed hosting friends and family on the deck at Lake McQueeney, who was often found behind the grill or enjoying the sunset with an ice-cold beer. Late in his life, "Gramps" delighted in teaching his granddaughters to fish and taking them for ice cream.

Lewis lived his life fulfilling his favorite Scripture from Micah: "He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" He will be held in the hearts of those that knew him and loved him as a good and humble man, a good steward, a strong leader, a good mentor, a good friend, who made a difference in this world, leaving it a better place.

The family will have a private graveside service. The pallbearers at the graveside service will be nephews Stephen Gerhard, Chris Mekolik, Joshua Moore, Max Westerman, Nicholas Westerman, and Will Westerman. Honorary pallbearers will be Aaron Mekolik and Sam Pampel. His Celebration of Life church service will be held at a later date due to current health and safety restrictions, we will announce the date of the Memorial Service when determined.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests Memorial donations be made to the Lewis Westerman Memorial Scholarship at Texas Lutheran University, 1000 W. Court St., Seguin, TX 78155, or [give online](#). Click the link for Make a Gift.

We remember Lewis Westerman's family in our prayers and trust that the promise of the Resurrection is true and sure.

In Christ,

Bishop Sue Briner