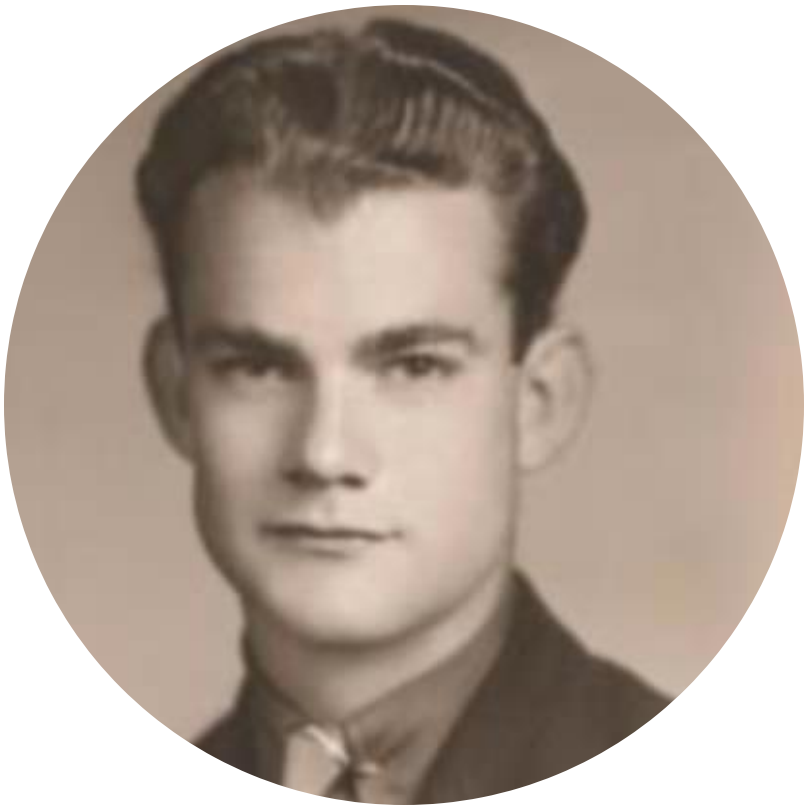

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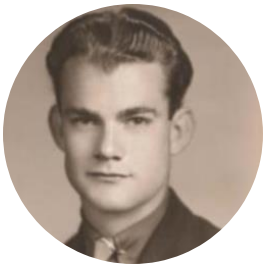

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Leon George Touchstone passed peacefully on November 25, 2015, at the age of 92 after a long struggle with Parkinson's Disease. Leon was born in Laurel, Mississippi to Leon G. Touchstone, Sr. and Lillie Virginia Purvis Touchstone. The family moved from Mississippi to San Diego in 1929.Leon is predeceased by his parents and by all of his siblings, including Dollie Fenton, Johnie Axsom, Barney Touchstone and Hilda Willardson, as well as his first wife, Helen Wigginton Touchstone.He retired from Solar after 30 years as a mechanical engineer. He was well known in the San Diego music community as an extraordinary violinist and fiddler. While serving as a radioman with the Army Air Force during WWII, he spent his off hours entertaining the troops live and over the radio with his fiddle. During the late 1940s and into the 1950s his country swing band, Country Cousins, played often at Poway's Big Stone Lodge, the Bostonia Ballroom and the Jacumba Inn as well as many other venues throughout the County. In his later years he was a member of the San Diego Banjo Band and the San Diego Old Time Fiddlers.Leon is survived by his wife, Dorothy Hogg Touchstone, children Virginia Newton, Daniel (Vicki) Touchstone, Shirley Noyer, 7 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. He also left many adored and adoring nieces, nephews, step-children and step-grandchildren.Services at Greenwood Mortuary Thursday, December 3, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. Visitation hours Wednesday, December 2, from 6-9 p.m.

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RT

Ruth Mitchell-Tirado posted:

My deepest condolences to the entire Touchstone Family. I remember Leon from when I was very young and he would visit my grandfather. What a nice, kind and honorable man. May God be with each of you during this difficult time. Ruth Mitchell-Tirado

December 2 at 9:16 AM

MG

Myrna Goodwin posted:

It was a joy to hear Leon play his fiddle at McDonald's and so many other gigs. We valued our time with Leon and Dorthy throughout the years. Our thoughts are with Dot and his family during this difficult time.

December 1 at 4:03 AM

DC

Dana Touchstone-Cotter posted:

He taught me how to use the organ when I was very young. I always had such a good time with him. So sad to hear of his passing. ??

November 30 at 8:35 AM

TT

Terry Touchstone posted:

There are so many memories of Uncle Leon to focus on just one, but I do like to picture him walking on his hands farther than anyone else could, and uphill at that! He was always happy and loved his family and extended family. We loved him too, and I'm so glad he took all those home movies so we can go back and watch all the fun he made us a part of. Terry Touchstone

November 30 at 8:31 AM

Memories only last if you share them

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

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