

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 599

In Memory
of
Joe Sawyer

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Joe Sawyer, who died March 22, 2017, at the age of 94; and

WHEREAS, Joe Sawyer was born on May 4, 1922, in San Luis Potosi, Mexico, to Juanita and Cruz Losoya, and the family later immigrated to San Antonio; as a child of the Great Depression, he learned the values of hard work at an early age, and he continued to embrace hard work for the rest of his life; and

WHEREAS, He served the nation with distinction in the United States Army during World War II; while stationed in England, he met and married the love of his life, the late Sheila Doreen Bones; the couple raised four sons together and were blessed with six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, He instilled in his sons his love of work and his belief in the importance of education, and all of his children have been successful in their careers; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and compassion, he gave generously to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who were privileged to share in his life; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Joe Sawyer; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Joe Sawyer.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 10, 2017, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate