



## Mr. Al Whitehead

November 15, 1920 - December 28, 2017

Funeral services for Mr. Al Whitehead, 97, of Henderson will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 30, 2017, in the chapel at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home with Rev. Don Edmiston, Rev. Bill Kuykendall, Dr. David Higgs, and Rev. Doyle Sumrall officiating. Interment will follow at Zion Hill Cemetery under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Friday, December 29, at the funeral home.

Mr. Whitehead passed from this life on December 28, 2017 in Tyler. He was born November 15, 1920 in Rusk County to the late Arthur and Florence Rousseau Whitehead. Mr. Whitehead proudly served his country in the United States Navy during World War II. He worked as a microbiologist for Mississippi Baptist Medical Center and was a member of First Baptist Church of Henderson.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Eugenia Whitehead; and parents, Arthur B. and Florence Rousseau Whitehead.

Survivors include: wife, Mary Jo Whitehead of Henderson; brothers, Roger Whitehead and wife Maude Ellen of Henderson, Worth Whitehead and wife Inell of Henderson, Gay Whitehead of Sherwood, North Dakota; sisters,

Nelwyn Hughes and husband Harry of Kirvin, Texas, Marilyn Smith of Henderson.

Pallbearers will be Jimmy Watson, Wade Watson, Jesse Clay, Cliff Hickman, Ben Cadenhead, Calvin Smith, and Lee Dale Wallace. Honorary Pallbearers will be The Gideons.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to Calvary Baptist Church of Laurel, Montana, at 820 W. Ninth Street, Laurel, MT 59044 or to The Gideons at The Gideons International Processing Center P.O. Box 97251, Washington, DC 20090.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Zion Hill Cemetery

CR 368  
Minden, TX 75680

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home  
1414 South Main Street  
Henderson, TX 75654  
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## Service

DEC **30**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

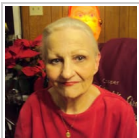
DL

“ *Heaven's landscaping will now be even more beautiful since award-winning Master Gardener, Al Whitehead, has arrived!!!*



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**Donnie Lay** - January 05, 2018 at 09:36 PM



“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Mr.Whitehead's passing...he was a very kind-hearted man and his wife also. I have very fond memories of him and Mary Jo taking me to numerous Dr. appointments and also the help he and his wife gave my Mother before she passed...they would visit her often.*



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**Sharon Collins** - December 31, 2017 at 07:52 PM

DL

“ *What a joy to know Al Whitehead! He was my Microbiology instructor at MS Baptist Medical Center in the seventies before we became coworkers and friends, along with Mary Jo, in the following years. He was an intelligent, positive, caring Christian gentleman with many attributes including extensive scientific knowledge, master gardening, skillful cooking, and much savvy with the written word. This is a sad loss of another special member of "The Greatest Generation", and I was truly blessed to have known him. Mary Jo, my prayers and heartfelt sympathy are with you and the family. May God hold you close.  
Love . . . Donnie*



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**Donnie Lay** - December 31, 2017 at 03:00 PM

MM

“ Milton And Sharla McGee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Al Whitehead



Milton and Sharla McGee - December 30, 2017 at 11:18 AM

JW

“ Jane Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Al Whitehead



Jane Williams - December 30, 2017 at 09:59 AM

MD

“ Mark And Gay Dowden lit a candle in memory of Mr. Al Whitehead



Mark and Gay dowden - December 30, 2017 at 09:23 AM

TC

“ Tony & Anita Cavaliere lit a candle in memory of Mr. Al Whitehead



Tony & Anita Cavaliere - December 29, 2017 at 07:46 PM

GA

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**Gay Allen** - December 29, 2017 at 07:06 PM

GA

“ *I find It unusual to make a good friend later in life. Al graduated with my parents, was a pallbearer at Mother's funeral when he was 90, and was member of Master Gardeners with me. I learned so much from a man who was interested in everything. We shared Zion Hill, Minden, and surrounding area memories and facts together. When we visited at his house, Mary Jo would quietly disappear knowing we would chatter and change subjects at will. I am thinking about you, Mary Jo, and know the feelings Al had for you.*

*Gay (Poovey) Allen  
Henderson*

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**Gay Allen** - December 29, 2017 at 12:52 PM

GJ

“ *George Jaeger lit a candle in memory of Mr. Al Whitehead*



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**George Jaeger** - December 28, 2017 at 09:09 PM