



Mr. Donnie Ray "Don" Tuttle

July 12, 1935 - April 10, 2017

Funeral services for Mr. Donnie Ray "Don" Tuttle, 81, of Henderson will be held at 2:00 pm Saturday, April 15, 2017 at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home chapel with Dr. David Higgs officiating. Interment will follow at Salem Cemetery under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

Visitation will be from 1:00 pm to service time on Saturday at the funeral home.

Mr. Tuttle passed away Monday, April 10, 2017 at Autumn Leaves in Henderson. He was born July 12, 1935 to the late Andrew Bryan and Gladys Fousel Tuttle. He worked for Midland ISD as a teacher at Midland High School. Mr. Tuttle was a teacher and a counselor at Robert E. Lee High School in the Tyler ISD. He then worked as a Registrar for Navarro Jr. College in Corsicana. He held several positions with the Carrollton/Farmers Branch ISD including serving as vice principal at Newman Smith High School, Blalack Jr. High School, Vivian Field Jr. High School, and served as principal for DeWitt Perry Jr. High School. Mr. Tuttle then served the Price/Carlisle ISD as the K-8 grade principal, and it was from here that he retired to be an entrepreneur of collectables and gunsmithing. He served his country in the Army National Guard during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Mr. Tuttle was also a Deacon of First Baptist Church of Henderson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Andrew Bryan and Gladys Fousel Tuttle; and four siblings, Andrew Tuttle, Juanita "Rudene" Mercer, Karlana Jackson Bishop, and Joe Erich Tuttle.

Survivors include: wife of 54 years, Polly Tuttle of Henderson; children, Tracy Steitz and husband Bobby of Carrollton, Todd Tuttle and wife Cicely of Colleyville; brother, Carlos Tuttle of Tulsa, OK; sisters, Virginia Graham of Carthage, June Gilstrap of Overton; and grandchildren, Jordon Anthony Tuttle, and Justin Davis Tuttle.

Pallbearers will be Paul Jackson, Mack Gilstrap, Lonnie Gilstrap, Deron Dacus, Ty Jackson, Jake Jackson, Randal Johnson, Grant Steitz, and Grayson Steitz.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the First Baptist Church Children's Building Fund, 207 West Main Street, Henderson, TX, 75652.

Condolences may be made at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Salem Cemetery

23764 CR 2110
Troup, TX 75789

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 15. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home
1414 South Main Street
Henderson, TX 75654
(903) 657-2562
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<https://www.crawfordacrim.com/>

Service

APR 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

WT

“ *Our prayers are lifted for your dear family!*

Wayne Tucker - December 07, 2020 at 10:21 PM

AS

“ *I am so sorry for you loss. Our prayers are with you!*

Anna Searcy - April 19, 2017 at 04:14 PM

TL

“ *My condolences on your loss. Don was a special man and taught me a lot at Blalack.*

Terri Lyons

Terri Lyons - April 17, 2017 at 11:18 AM

MB

“ *Dear Polly, Tracy, Todd and family,
Don was a mentor and a friend. He was a true gentleman. May God be with you during this time of sorrow. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Mary and Jody Bass

Mary Bass - April 15, 2017 at 08:20 AM





“ Dear Polly, Tracy, Todd and Families: we share in your grief over Don's loss, but Heaven's gain. May the Prince of Peace surround you with comfort and stamina during this time. We love you and are praying for you.

Pat, Glen and Ryan Robinson



Pat Robinson - April 14, 2017 at 03:48 PM

FE

“ Felicia Evans lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donnie Ray "Don" Tuttle



Felicia Evans - April 12, 2017 at 01:03 PM

SF

“ Polly, we are so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Suzi Ferrante - April 12, 2017 at 11:13 AM

JG

“ Polly and Family I'm so sorry for your loss. About 4 months ago I had a call with Uncle Donnie for about 45 minutes. It was a wonderful conversation and I feel so lucky that I was able to share that time with him.



Janice Gallagher - April 12, 2017 at 11:11 AM

AS

“ Ana Soto sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Donnie Ray "Don" Tuttle



Ana Soto - April 12, 2017 at 09:26 AM

BM

“ Polly, we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Betty Mullens - April 12, 2017 at 07:39 AM

GG

“ Polly and family, Bill and I have not seen you in years but my memories of you and Don are very fresh in my mind. I will always remember him as a kind and gentle man who loved his family. He was very handsome with such a strong presence when he was around you. You have been a great partner for Don and mother to your children. Please know you will be in my prayers. ❤️ Gail Gibson

Gail Gibson - April 11, 2017 at 04:58 PM

LT

“ I remember this family from my younger years at First Baptist Carrollton. Great people. Comfort and peace for the family.

Linda Townsend - April 11, 2017 at 03:52 PM

JW

“ *Jane Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donnie Ray "Don" Tuttle*



Jane Williams - April 11, 2017 at 03:49 PM

WE

“ *I worked with Don at Newman Smith High School and Blalack Junior High School. He was a great friend and co-worker. He will be missed by all who knew him. We also went to church with he and his sweet family. It's been many years since I've seen him but I remember him well. God bless his family.*

Wanda Evans - April 11, 2017 at 03:39 PM

CG

“ *Knew Mr. Tuttle while I was the manager of "The Emporium on the Square " So sorry for your loss he was a very nice man.*



Candy Grant - April 11, 2017 at 02:31 PM