



Wilton Wayne Freeman

November 17, 1921 - May 30, 2012

Wilton Wayne Freeman, 90, passed from this earthly life into eternal life on Wednesday, May 30, 2012, at Emeritus of Henderson. Wayne, as everyone called him, had been a resident of Emeritus of Henderson for the last 2 years. Prior to his decline in health, he was co-owner of Lynn Roy-Wayne Freeman Co, specializing in air condition contracting and RCA electronics. After 33 years of business, he sold the company to Troy Toon and began a second career as a real estate broker. He continued to conduct business as a broker until 2009 when his health prohibited him from working. Wayne's life centered around his family, friends, and church. He was a faithful member of First Baptist Church of Henderson for over sixty years, and served in many leadership roles including teaching Sunday school, being a deacon, and being in charge of the ushers for the services in the church. For many years, each weekday morning he could be found at Herschel's Restaurant "drinking coffee" and visiting with his friends. He was so proud of his family, and considered his wife, Willie Mae, as his best friend. His daughter, Sharla, and son-in-law, Milton, tried to make sure he and Willie Mae were included in every event involving their grandsons, Trey and Derek. As years passed and the grandsons married, Wayne had the pleasure of welcoming two daughters-in-law and two great-grandchildren into his family circle. A private family graveside service at Lakewood Memorial Park conducted by the Rev. Bill Tisdale will be held at 10 am on Friday, June 1, 2012. A celebration of life service with music provided by long-time friends, Steve and Sandy Siler, and

conducted by Rev. Don Edmiston and Rev. Robert Hall will follow the private graveside service at 11 am in the First Baptist Church sanctuary in Henderson under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home of Henderson.

Immediately following the celebration of life service, the family will receive friends in the Family Life Center of First Baptist Church. Wayne is survived by his daughter, Sharla McGee and husband Milton of Henderson; grandsons, Trey McGee and wife Jennifer of Nashville, Tennessee; and Derek McGee and wife Kathryn of Austin; also, great-grandchildren Meredith and Peter McGee of Nashville, Tennessee. He was preceded in death by his wife of 68 years, Willie Mae Freeman; his parents, Homer and Ida Christian Freeman; his sister, Orell Freeman Griffin; and a brother, Homer (Buck) Freeman, Jr.

The family would like to express its appreciation to the attentive staff of Emeritus of Henderson, Dr. Charles Perricone, and Hospice of East Texas for their care during Wayne's last years of declining health. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of Henderson, 207 West Main Street, Henderson, TX 75652 or to The Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, Texas 75701.

Previous Events

visitation

JUN 1. 12:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
207 W. Main St.
Henderson, TX 75652

Tribute Wall

RS

“ Just to let you know, my family and I are praying for you during these difficult times. Mr. Freeman was a great man.

Ricki Skelton - June 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Sharla,I am sorry for the loss of your dad. Praying for God's comfort for you and your family.

Krista Furtick - June 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I had the opportunity to get to know Wayne really well in 1966 when he installed my new A/C unit. It was a very close and personal relationship for me. He was also a mentor to me. He will be missed and my condolences go to the family in their loss at this time.Billy MartinLongview

Billy Martin - June 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ May the peace of God comfort you and the entire family during and after this time of bereavement.

Linda Cooper - May 31, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ â??In time, the heart heals, leaving us with memories â??not of our sorrow, but of the love we have known.â??My thoughts and prayers are with you.KayeC

Kaye Cannon - May 31, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NL

“ *Sharla and Milton, Sorry to note the passing of one of Henderson's most well known personalities. He will be missed by so many. Both of you and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.*Norris-

Norris Langford - May 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM