



Jasper Thomas Benningfield

March 5, 1919 - February 1, 2005

“J. T.” Benningfield, long time McKinney resident, died Tuesday, February 1, 2005 after a long illness. An active member of the First Baptist Church since 1949, he had served the church in many capacities including deacon and church treasurer. He also served on the executive board of the Baptist General Convention as representative of District 13. With his wife, Virginia, Mr. Benningfield managed the Sherwin Williams Paint Company dealership for 36 years. He was active in the Rotary Club. During his active retirement, he was an avid golfer. He was also a member of the St. John’s Masonic Lodge where he was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of the Rotary Club. Born March 5, 1919, in Clarksville, Texas, he married Virginia Ussery in 1941. He served in the U. S. Navy during World War II and started his long career with Sherman Williams shortly after the war. He is being remembered by family and friends for his sweet nature and his willingness to always assist others when needed. Mr. and Mrs. Benningfield worked as Hospice volunteers for a number of years. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Virginia, a daughter and son-in-law, Diann and Robert Ring of Claremont, California, a grandson Robert Hamlink Ring of Princeton, New Jersey, a granddaughter, Susan Ring of Claremont, California and two sisters, Inez Cannon of Dallas and Sue White of Fort Worth. A celebration of Mr. Benningfield’s life will be held Friday at 10:00 AM in the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church. Interment will be at Ridgeview Memorial Park. Visitation will be from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM Thursday at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Visiting Nurses Association (Hospice), 2414 W. University Drive, McKinney or to the Children’s Building at the First Baptist Church, 1615 W. Louisiana Street, McKinney, TX 75069.

Memorials

Virginia, we are praying for God to continue to give you the peace needed to sustain you during this most difficult time of loss.

BILL & JUDY VITZ, FEBRUARY 7, 2005

We will always remember Tom's Friendly manner with everyone at Provident. We remember too, Virginia, with the same friendliness to all the residents, families, and caregivers.

HARRIET & JOHN LOVETERE, FEBRUARY 3, 2005

We enjoyed the pleasant visits with Tommy at Eastern Star. He was such a gentleman.

BOB/LYNN MULLINIX, FEBRUARY 3, 2005

Virginia and Diane, I am so very sorry to hear about Thomas. I remember all the Easter's we would make the trip from Ok. City to McKinney, and how dad and Thomas would get into discussions on politics and religion. I remember Thomas looking so much like Grand dad, and being so kind and nice. I am so sorry that I haven't seen any of you in so long. My prayers and thoughts are with all of you. Love, Betty

BETTY JEAN BENNINGFIELD WHITE, FEBRUARY 3, 2005

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