



## Henry Elwin Buck Sr.

May 24, 2019

Henry Elwin Buck, Sr. was born on February 11, 1934 and passed away May 24, 2019 at the age of 85, with his family by his side.

He was born in Rural Clark County Arkansas near the town of Arkadelphia, Arkansas where he grew up with his 6 brother and sisters on a farm. During his early years, he worked on his family's farm and spent much of his time hunting and fishing with his brothers. Arkansas was his favorite place on earth. He went into the Air Force in December of 1951 and was stationed at Youngstown, Ohio. On September 5, 1955, he was honorably discharged and returned to Arkadelphia, Arkansas. After he returned from the service, he moved to Houston, TX to work and lived with his sister, Margaret, and her family. In was in Houston, TX that he met the love of his life at Airline Drive Baptist Church. On September 4, 1959, he married Ruby Zane Rivers at Airline Drive Baptist Church in Houston, TX. After they married they resided in Houston and had their first child. They then returned to Arkadelphia, Arkansas for a short time while he attended college at Quachita Baptist University for religious studies. They would then return to Houston for him to go to Barber school. He started his career as a barber at Fogg's Barber Shop and would later open up Buck and Carroll Barber Shop in the Aldine area of North Houston where he worked for nearly 40 years.

The focus of his life was his family and faith in Jesus Christ. In the 1970's he and his family started attending Memorial Baptist Church in north Houston. He was a deacon and served in many leadership capacities within the church. He

became the single's minister and this ministry would prove to be the most rewarding time in his service to our Lord. He touched many lives through his commitment to share the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He retired from barbering and moved to Willis, TX where he lived with his wife Ruby and enjoyed his family, his favorite past time which was God's nature, and his church, First Baptist of Willis.

Henry was preceded in death by his parents, Dock Estes Buck Sr. and Ruby Isabelle (Still) Buck; sisters, Julia (Dude) Francis and Margaret Key; brothers, Dock E. Buck, Jr., Thomas M. Buck, Donald E. Buck, and Ronald Neal Buck. He is survived by his wife Ruby Zane (Rivers) Buck of 59 years; brother, E. W. Buck of Mt. Pleasant, TX; daughter Janet Fincher and husband Rusty Fincher; son Henry Buck Jr. and wife Kim (Kroning) Buck; son, Warren Buck; grandchildren, Brian Fincher, John Fincher, Julia Fincher, Rebekah Buck, and Lauren Buck; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Visitation with the family is scheduled for Thursday, May 30 from 6-8 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Willis. Funeral Services will be held Friday, May 31 at 11 AM at the First Baptist Church in Willis, with interment following at Smith Memorial Park Cemetery. You are invited to leave a written condolence to the family at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **30**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis  
10129 FM 1097 Rd W.  
Willis, TX 77318  
(936) 890-0454  
greg@shmfm.com

## Funeral Service

MAY **31**. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Willis  
Willis, TX

## Interment following service

MAY **31** (CT)

Smith Memorial Park Cemetery - Willis  
10129 FM 1097 Rd W  
Willis, TX 77318  
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<https://www.shmfm.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Henry Elwin Buck Sr.*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Henry cut my hair when I was 14 years old  
Was great Barber last time I saw him was around 1999. Always had  
a kind word and a  
kind Sprit. My sympathy to the Buck family. Raymond Bates*

**Raymond Bates** - June 06, 2019 at 06:35 PM



“ *So sad to hear of Elwin's passing. I remember him as such a very  
nice person. I am praying for comfort for all the family. Carolyn  
Helms McMurray*

**Carolyn Helms McMurray** - May 31, 2019 at 07:46 PM



“ *What fond memoties I have of Henry Buck and the Buck family ! My  
late husband, Rev. LeVern Jordan always enjoyed going to Buck  
and Carrol's Barber Shop . Our youngest son had his first haircut  
there. Henry was an active member of our church and was loved  
and respected by all. He will be greatly missed. My prayers for  
comfort to Ruby and the family. I regret that I will not be able to  
attend the service for Henry as I am in Michigan at this time. Please  
know that my heart , my love and my prayers are with you all. God  
Bless you, Barbara Jordan*

**Barbara Jordan** - May 31, 2019 at 01:58 AM

KB

“ One of my fondest memories is of Elwin performing Gary and my marriage ceremony. He had us reciting out of the book of Ruth as part of the service. He somewhat misquoted the verse.....we looked at each other and managed to restate the verse as uncle Elwin had quoted it. He was such a special man to both the nieces and nephews and those who were blessed to have him bring them into the family by performing the marriage ceremonies. Singly handily one of the best examples of Christ I have been blessed to know. So glad to have been able to call him uncle even if it was by marriage. Gary and I will miss him in inexpressible ways. His calming influence will be missed by many. I'm excited to know that he was welcomed to his eternal home with the words “well done good and faithful servant”

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**karen buck** - May 30, 2019 at 06:18 PM

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“ My Uncle was one of the finest men I have ever known. He was a true imitator of Christ. He loved God and it showed in all he did and all he was. You saw it in the way he loved his wife, his children, grandchildren, brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews and anyone who ever had the pleasure of him touching their lives. I always felt unconditional love in his presence and in his home with dearest Aunt Ruby. He always listened, loved, encouraged, counseled, laughed... and so many more things. I can't seem to find all the right words my heart feels right now. I will miss him so very, very much and there is a whole in my heart left by his passing from this life into Heaven. He and my mother (his sister) were so much alike. It is like losing my mother all over again. I still haven't filled that void!

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**Judy Mizell (niece)** - May 30, 2019 at 06:13 PM

CB

“ Elwin was one of the sweetest and kindest persons I have ever known! He was a loving man of God and loved his family! He will be truly missed, but I know he is in a much better place. He was a great brother to EW and a wonderful mentor to many.  
Love from Cindy Brown & Family

Cindy Brown - May 30, 2019 at 10:16 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Henry Elwin Buck Sr..



May 30, 2019 at 08:14 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Henry Elwin Buck Sr..



May 30, 2019 at 02:46 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Henry Elwin Buck Sr..



May 29, 2019 at 10:35 PM



“ I met Mr. Buck back in the early 70’s, when my family moved to the Aldine area. My dad had found his barber shop, when it was on Airline Dr. We went there for many years, and even when they moved to the 525 location. We knew right from the first that it was different, because of the atmosphere there. No dirty books, just hunting and fishing magazines, and of course, the trophy’s on the walls. My son and daughter went with me, and Mr. Buck was always kidding with them, or giving them a job, to sweep up the hair around the barbers chairs. Mr. Buck’s Love for Christ, and his Christian witness shone through, and I am thankful to have known him. I am praying for all of the Buck family!  
Richard Galena

Richard Galena - May 29, 2019 at 08:36 PM

EF

“ I used to go to Mr. Buck’s barber shop with my Dad growing up. He would always give me a job sweeping up the floor, which he would “pay” me for with candies. I’ll always remember how important that made me feel. I also loved the puzzles he had up on the wall. Spent a lot of time trying to figure out how to separate those two metal rings. Although, I haven’t seen him in over 25 years, I am glad I got to know him and experience his kindness as a child.

Erin “Galena” Fenner - May 29, 2019 at 04:36 PM

AO

“ Ann and Greg Zeamer Sean and Megan Ogden purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Henry Elwin Buck Sr..



Ann and Greg Zeamer Sean and Megan Ogden - May 29, 2019 at 04:18 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Henry Elwin Buck Sr..*



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May 29, 2019 at 03:48 PM



“ *HENRY WAS A JOHN WAYNE WITH HIGH MORAL VALUES.  
.LINDA AND JOE GAYTONGLAD I GOT TO KNOW HIM*

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**JOE GAYTON** - May 29, 2019 at 03:33 PM



“ *Being new to Houston I began attending Memorial Baptist Church and the Singles Class - taught by Henry. What a blessing..and to get to know Ruby and the children. He did touch many lives and I know all of us in that particular class still look back with such special memories. Ruby, you are a faithful wife and mother, we are praying for you along with Warren, Janet and Henry Jr. and the family.*

*Thank you for sharing Henry (Elwin) with all of us.*

*Our love and gratefulness,  
Steve and Cathey Hare*

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**Cathey Hare** - May 29, 2019 at 03:00 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Henry Elwin Buck Sr..*



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May 29, 2019 at 11:39 AM



“ *Mr. Buck or Brother Buck, would come into our Sunday School Class just about every Sunday.He had a way of looking over us as you would believe an Elder would do. He even sometimes taught a little (never intrusive) , and or shared a quick story with us. He was such a pillar in our Church Community, and his only wish was that he would see revival in the Church one last time. My greatest Honor would be to one day be apart of his vision or pass it on as he did to me.Thank you Mr. Buck, and condolences/prayer's for Mrs. Ruby Buck & family.  
In Christ,*

*B.J.Cobb & family*

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**BJ** - May 29, 2019 at 10:46 AM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Henry Elwin Buck Sr..*



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May 28, 2019 at 12:34 PM

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“ Janet, Rusty and family, we are so sorry for your tremendous loss. Losing a dad has to be one of the worst things to go through. We pray for the comfort of your precious family knowing that he is with Jesus right now. Love, Ike and Terry Fluellen

Terry Fluellen - May 27, 2019 at 10:27 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Henry Elwin Buck Sr..



May 26, 2019 at 08:40 PM

LV

“ My Uncle Elwin was the greatest uncle you could ever have. He performed our initial wedding ceremony on 23 April 1983 and again on our 25th wedding anniversary on 23 April 2008. A devout Christian and loving husband and father. He will be missed by many and loved by all who knew him. I will always Love and miss you Uncle Elwin but you will always be in my memories and heart forever. To Aunt Ruby, Janet, Henry, Warren and rest of the family my sincere condolences to you all during this time. I know he's with my Mom now in Heaven with no pain laughing and talking again along with the rest of family waiting for him in Heaven.



Leon VanMeter - May 26, 2019 at 02:49 PM