



Jack Brown Nichols Sr

November 3, 1928 - July 16, 2018

On Monday, July 16, 2018, Jack B. Nichols of Huntsville, Texas went to be with the Lord at the age of 89. Born November 3, 1928 to William Elmer and Jessie Mae Nichols in Timpson, Texas. Jack was a graduate of Huntsville High School, class of 1946, and Sam Houston State University (Sam Houston State Teachers College), class of 1953. He married Dorothy Keefer in 1954 and they had two sons, Jack Jr and Dean. He worked as a manager and engineer at KSAM AM-FM for almost 30 years. Until his retirement in 1996 he worked at Sam Houston State University in the Radio, Television and Film department as an engineer and lecturer. Since 1950, Jack was an avid Ham Radio operator (W5RJV). His passion was working DX (foreign countries), which earned him honor roll status with 340 countries. He was also an active member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Jack is survived by his current loving wife Dorothy Johnson, sister Eloise Adair, sons Jack Jr. (Debbie) and Dean (Carrie) and Grandchildren Andrew, Molly (Cooper), Zane and Claire. He is also survived by stepdaughters Cathy (Charles) Sturrock, Cheryl (Kevin) Gaulty, and their children Charles Sturrock, Christin (Derek) Forsythe, Adam (Crystal) Chernosky and Megan (Josh) Williams and eight great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents William Elmer and Jessie Mae, his brother William Elmer Nichols Jr., sister-in-law Annie Mae, nephew Ronnie,

and wife of 42 years Dorothy Keefer Nichols.

Visitation will be July 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be on July 20, 2018 at 10:00 am at Calvary Baptist with Dr. James Featherstone officiating.

Interment will follow at Brooke Cemetery, 672 FM 980.

Pallbearers will be Andrew Nichols, Zane Nichols, Cooper Shofner, Mark Countz, Charlie Davis, Derek Forsythe, Joshua Williams, and Adam Chernosky.

Cemetery Details

Brooke Cemetery

672 FM 980
Huntsville, TX 77320

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 19. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340
(936) 291-7300
belinda@shmfh.com

Funeral Service

JUL 20. 10:00 AM (CT)

Calvary Baptist Church of Huntsville
1135 US-190
Huntsville, TX 77320

Tribute Wall



“ *Jack Brown Nichols Sr*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Unfortunately, I didn't learn of Jack's death until March 2019. I was fortunate to work for him at KSAM in 1960 and 1961 while a student at Sam Houston. Jack and Dorothy, his first wife, were wonderful people and Jack, in particular, encouraged me to apply for and obtain a FM license in the Houston market which we successfully operated for several years before selling the station (now Majic-102). Even though I left broadcasting to pursue other opportunities, we remained in touch for many years through amateur radio. He was a fine gentleman and I feel privileged to have had the opportunity to work with and learn from him.*

*Jim Robinson
Houston & Madisonville, TX*

Jim Robinson - March 16, 2019 at 11:41 PM



“ *Jackie, Debbie and Family,*

We so very sorry for your loss. Andrea and I keep you all in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Russell Martinez - July 19, 2018 at 10:28 AM

PK

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Nichols family, Jackie and Dean were as close to being part of our family as Clinton and Larry was! Jack you will be missed by all your friends, RIP We loved you



peggy Kroesche - July 18, 2018 at 11:45 PM

RO

“ Jackie, Debbie, Andrew, and Molly,

My deepest condolences. God bless each of you, and may you find peace and comfort in His word: John 11:25.

Rosa

Rosa - July 18, 2018 at 06:17 PM

MH

“ M Hyvl lit a candle in memory of Jack Brown Nichols Sr



M Hyvl - July 18, 2018 at 03:54 PM

DN

“ Dorothy Nichols sent a virtual gift in memory of Jack Brown Nichols Sr



Dorothy Nichols - July 18, 2018 at 01:53 PM

DN

“ On Monday, July 16, 2018, my love and support from the wonderful man called Jack Nichols came to an end. God called him home to Glory. He was the kindest, most loving man I have ever known. He took wonderful care of all he knew and loved. We two had a great oneness and I will be eternally grateful for having shared these years with him. While I am left here, I will miss him greatly. Till we meet again, know that I love you. Your Wife, Dorothy (DJ).

Dorothy Nichols - July 18, 2018 at 01:52 PM

MC

“ Mike Capps purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Jack Brown Nichols Sr.



Mike Capps - July 18, 2018 at 12:09 PM

MC

“ Jack, Dean and Family--

Your dad basically raised me in the broadcasting business. No way in the world would I have ever been equipped to proceed out of SHSU and into my profession without Jack's patient (and God did he need it with me) guidance, encouragement and mentorship. In the last few years I've enjoyed telephone visits with him and will miss those immensely.

Your dad loved you so much, loved Huntsville, KSAM and SHSU. I've always been proud to call him a trusted friend and mentor. May we all, under God's guidance, show the earnest caring and love for people and their circumstances that was part of Jack Nichols DNA.

May God grant all of you peace in this time, as we celebrate the life of one of THE best God ever gave us.

Blessings from Austin.

Mike Capps

Mike Capps - July 18, 2018 at 12:02 PM

BC

“ Jackie, Debbie, Molly & Andrew,

I am so sorry for your loss. Although I never knew Jack, I heard nothing but amazing things from you all about him. And what an amazing man he must have been, to have produced such an awesome son like Jackie. My deepest condolences to you all.

Much Love,

Brandon

Brandon Cooper - July 18, 2018 at 12:02 PM

JJ

“ Jack and Dorothy Nichols were so kind to my son Timothy. Tim spent many an hour in their home where he was treated like part of the family. Jack Nichols was a good and kind man who will be missed. My prayers are with the family during this difficult time.

Jeannine Jacoby - July 18, 2018 at 08:23 AM

DH

“ A good friend and wonderful man. Ahead of his time at KSAM with management and programming. God bless the family.

David Henderson - July 17, 2018 at 10:35 PM

GA

“ Gale lit a candle in memory of Jack Brown Nichols Sr



Gale - July 17, 2018 at 07:02 PM