



John Davidson

November 12, 1915 - March 31, 2005

John J. Davidson (Self supported mission church builder) John Jensen Davidson was born November 12, 1915 in Port Arthur, Texas to John and Lula Davidson, and died March 27, 2005 in Huntsville, Texas at the Ella Smither Geriatric Center. John was a graduate of the Raymond High School in Raymond, Washington. He worked as an Office Manager, Insurance Salesman, Contractor, Building Supply, Building Superintendent and Subdivision Developer of part of his father's estate near Lake Jackson, Texas. From 1965 to 1983, as a self-supported volunteer, he assisted numerous Southern Baptist Churches in the Northern States from the East Coast to the West Coast and as far north as Edmonton, Alberta, Canada to procure their first unit buildings. In 1982 he helped to provide a home for furloughing Missionaries for the First Baptist Church. He was always especially interested in the worldwide ministry of the Southern Baptist Convention, and in the joy that comes of being a Christian and a Churchman. He has established a trust with the Baptist Foundation of Texas to channel his wealth to the East Texas Baptist University and other Baptist entities, including a trust for scholarship endowment, and sponsoring two residential wings for student housing at the school. He has been a member of the Masonic Lodge for over sixty years. John was a charter and life Member of the Clute City Masonic Lodge #1334 in Clute, Texas; a Past Master of the Cosmopolitan Masonic Lodge #872 in Port Arthur, Texas and a member of the Forrest Masonic Lodge #19 in Huntsville, Texas. John was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Dorothy Averitt,

two brothers, Robert Davidson and Chester Davidson; and an older sister that died in infancy. He is survived by his sister Mary Lou and husband Elmer Billington, of Bay City, Texas; brother Chris Davidson of Angleton, Texas; sister-in-law Anna Davidson of Huntsville; 52 nieces and nephews including their children; and a host of friends. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 PM Wednesday, March 29, 2005 at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. Services will be held Thursday March 31, 2005 at 11 AM at the First Baptist Church of Huntsville. Interment will be in Brooke Cemetery under the direction of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. Honorary pallbearers will be the Deacons of First Baptist Church of Huntsville and his Masonic brethren. Memorial contributions should be made to the Organ Fund at the First Baptist Church at 1229 Ave. J – Huntsville, Texas 77340.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Davidson*

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“ *Our family will miss John deeply! He has been a role model, a friend, served as the grandfather in our son's wedding, and always a most welcome house guest while here in Washington State. We shared many, many enjoyable conversations, both in our living room and in the car roaming around the Washington he loved.*

Our prayer for the family is comfort from Jesus, the one John served his whole life, and the One we thank for sharing John's life with us!

*Jim & Idie Elliott
Longview, Washington*

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