



Leonard Howard

July 29, 1929 - May 26, 2015

Leonard R. Howard of Montgomery, Texas, died on May 26, 2015, following a lengthy struggle with Lewy Body Disease. He is survived by his wife, Mary Bonita (Nutt) Howard, daughters, Madeline Pasha (Shane) and Elizabeth Lovell (Joe), and grandchildren Kerri and Logan Lovell.

Leonard was born on July 8, 1929, in New York City, to Len R. Howard and Madeline Mary Eliza Copping Howard. He grew up in the village of Kent, CT, before attending West Virginia University where he received his Bachelor's of Forestry in 1953. After a stint in the US Army and employment with the US Forest Service, Leonard enrolled in Yale University. He completed his Master's of Science in Forestry and began work for the Crossett Lumber Company on the Gates District outside of Monticello, AR. He served as both assistant district forester and district forester before moving to Pennsylvania. There he worked with both the state forest and park services. In 1969 Leonard returned to the South to work with the Louisiana-Pacific and Georgia-Pacific lumber companies. From then until his retirement he served as a district, area, and quality control forester. All told, he worked for over 45 years in the timber industry.

Everyone who knew Leonard would agree that he was a teller of true stories, a font of trivial information, a lover of all animals, and a true steward of the land. He was interested in and respectful of all the places and people that he

encountered in his life. Colleagues, friends, and family will remember his sharply dry sense of humor as well as his honesty and integrity.

Final arrangements are under the direction of the Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Montgomery, TX. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation to the Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge in Eureka Springs, AR. Condolences may be left at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Leonard Howard

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ Bonita, my heart was so saddened when Kay called me and told me of Leonard's passing.. My prayers and blessings go out to you and your daughters and families. I hate that we are all so scattered but our love always remains close. Audett sent me the obit and website. Please know that we are all thinking about you!!



Barbara V, Voris - May 31, 2015 at 11:23 PM



“ So sad to hear that Leonard passed away. Leonard was always so kind. We have so many wonderful memories of Leonard and the family that we carry. We pray the pain eases soon. You love you all. Willis and Betty Miller

Willis Miller - May 30, 2015 at 04:04 PM



“ Dear Mrs. Bonita, Madeline, and Elizabeth, I am so very sorry to hear about your loss. I have so many great memories of living next door to your family on the G.P. District. As a child, I always remember Mr. Howard as stern, but gentle and kind and always having a dry sense of humor. I think of you and your family often! Big hugs! You all are in my thoughts and Prayers!

Tina Mann - May 30, 2015 at 02:48 PM

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Sorry, I should have signed this "Tina Miller Mann", so you know who I am.

Tina Miller Mann - May 30, 2015 at 02:50 PM

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“ *I worked with Leonard from the 1980's until he retired. He was respected by all and just a good man. He was a joy to be around. My thoughts go out to his family at this time.*

Martin Rice - May 29, 2015 at 07:54 PM

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“ *Leonard was such a great role model and friend to me as I began my career with GP in the late 70's. He was as wise and quick-witted as any man that I have ever known, and I am so glad that I was able to be around him for the short time that I was. My deepest sympathy to Bonita, Madeline, and Elizabeth during this time. God bless you.*

Tony Hendrix - May 29, 2015 at 01:47 PM