



## Robert De Long

October 27, 1919 - November 29, 2007

On November 25, 2007 Mr. Robert Ellington DeLong went home. He was born in Houston, Texas October 27, 1919 to Raleigh and Mary Ellington DeLong. He and Jeanette Simpson were married on May 23, 1943 in Victoria, Texas. He attended A & M University before serving his country during World War II as a hump pilot in India. Upon returning home he was greeted by his wife, 14 month old son Robert and other family members. He worked as a crop duster in Mexia, Texas before working for H. B. Zachary of San Antonio as an Engineer. After several years he moved to Houston where he worked with Brown and Root. He and his family were able to live in Spain and England as the jobs required. He retired to Huntsville, Texas in 1983 to be near his son, an attorney, who was General Counsel and Assistant Director for TDCJ. He was preceded in death by his parents , brother and son Robert Ellington DeLong, Jr. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Jeanette, his daughter Hannah Ann De Long O'Donnell, a retired correctional officer and current TDCJ Human Resources employee, his granddaughter Risa Ann O'Donnell Benedict and her husband Ralph E. Benedict, grandson Robert Ellington DeLong III, great-granddaughter's Britney Alisa Ann Lippke and Ariel Elizabeth DeLong, along with many cousins and friends. He will be laid to rest November 29, 2007 at 2 PM in Mexia Cemetery with Father Jim Morgan of Huntsville officiating under the direction of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. Please make any contributions or donations in his name to your favorite charity. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family

may do so at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert De Long*

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November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Risa,*

*Sorry to hear about your grandpa. God be with you and family. Your grandpa & God will watching over you ALWAYS!*

*bev*

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**beverly barnes** - November 29, 2007 at 12:22 AM



“ *Honey, Hannah & Risa,*

*You have always been in my thoughts and prayers and will continue to be forever. So sorry to hear about Granddad. He was so sweet to me when I went there for your wedding Risa treated me like I was family. Wish I could have spent more time getting to know him. He was a special man. Know I love you and that You are in prayers. Love Connie, Scottie, Jennyfer and Brandyn Riojas*

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**Connie, Scottie, Jennyfer & Brandyn** - November 28, 2007 at 05:03 PM

SM

“ Hannah, & Ms. DeLong,

*I am so sorry to hear of Mr. De Long's passing.*

*In the contact I had with him in past years, I enjoyed his humor and I always learned something.*

*Our prayers arw with and know that you will have fond memories.*

*Mike & Sherrill McDowell*

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**Sherrill McDowell** - November 28, 2007 at 01:46 PM

BW

“ *True wealth is not measured in status or power. It is measured in the legacy we leave behind for those we love and those we inspire. Bob DeLong loved his family profoundly. He also inspired many,me being one of them. I think he inspired me to love cooking, as he did, at an early age. He loved to garden, read,and was a great thinker. He was honest beyond belief. I will miss his voice, saying " this is Bob DeLong," as if I didn't know who was calling. He was a significant person in my life.*

*Love,  
Bettina*

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**Bettina Whitley** - November 28, 2007 at 11:33 AM

RN

“ *My prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Rita Newman** - November 28, 2007 at 10:21 AM

MN

“ We have enjoyed forty-five years of Bob's friendship and good humor. We shall miss him immensely. Our thoughts are with Jeanette and the rest of the family.

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**Momo & Bob Nebel** - November 27, 2007 at 01:47 PM

SO

“ Your fellow family at State Counsel for Offenders wishes to express our sincere condolences. Our thoughts are with you during this most difficult time.

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**State Counsel for Offenders** - November 27, 2007 at 01:04 PM

EH

“ Dearest Loved Ones:  
We are so terribly sorry to hear of "Daddy Bob's" passing. He was a great man and will be remembered always for his 'fireside chats' following bowls games and at other times.  
Our sincerest condolences for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.  
Vaya con Dios, sus familia  
Ed, Lyn, Wil, Kas and Becca Hunter

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**Ed and Lyn Hunter, Will, Kas and Becca Hunter** - November 27, 2007 at 11:05 AM

PW

“ Hannah, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. The past year has been rough for all of you, know that he is healed and suffers no more. I know Daddy will be missed sorely, remember the good times. Time heals all hurt. Love to you and Honey

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**Pamela Walker** - November 27, 2007 at 10:21 AM

SP

“ *Hannah, I'm so sorry to hear about your dad. Keep your faith in the Lord and he will see you through. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May God Bless you and yours. Samantha*

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**Samantha Patteson** - November 27, 2007 at 09:40 AM

PO

“ *Risa, we are sorry to hear your grandfather passed. our prayers are with you, your mother, and your grandmother. love, dad*

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**Pat & Toni O'Donnell** - November 26, 2007 at 06:59 PM

NS

“ *Hannah and family, My thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God be with you and your's today and always. If you need me I am only a phone call away.*

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**Noma Sylvester** - November 26, 2007 at 10:52 AM

SB

“ *Risa, Brit, Hannah, Honey - all of you and your families - I am so sorry to hear about your loss. May God fill you with his Love, Faith and His Grace as he will sustain you all in your time of need - now and always. Our prayers are with you all and may God Bless you and keep you near always.  
Love, Sandy & Serra*

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**Sandy & Serra Bauer** - November 26, 2007 at 10:04 AM

RL

“ *I remember the good times with Bob DeLong (his beekeeping etc.) and his unending love for his family. I hope you can keep these good thoughts with you in the days ahead. Rolf and Marlene*

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**Rolf and Marlene Lippke** - November 25, 2007 at 11:07 PM

FB

“ *Hannah, I was sorry to hear about your father. Please accept my sincere condolences. Its always hard to lose a loved one...but faith in Christ can get you thru this time of grief. Sincerely, Faye... (Mellicent's friend...I know you probably remember me anyway, but just to let you know for sure.*

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**Faye Brown** - November 25, 2007 at 08:36 PM

PF

“ *We are so sorry to hear of the loss of a loving husband, father and grandfather. This is a difficult and also a loving time as friends come together in faith and friendship. know that Bob is in the house of the lord and surrounded by everything beautiful. We wish you all the blessings of knowing that this is true. Sincerely,*

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**Philip & Barbara Fell** - November 25, 2007 at 08:21 PM

RM

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about your Father. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Rhonda*

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**Rhonda Mauldin** - November 25, 2007 at 07:31 PM

CJ

“ *Hanna and family:*

*I am so sorry to learn of your father's passing. May memories of him be like precious keepsakes forever in your heart.*

*God Bless,  
Carol Blair Johnston*

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**Carol Johnston** - November 25, 2007 at 06:47 PM

NG

“ *Hannah & family,  
I am so sorry to hear about your loss. You are in my prayers.  
Nancye & family*

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**Nancye Gardner** - November 25, 2007 at 05:28 PM

JC

“ *Please know that we are praying for you.*

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**Jason & Heather Christian** - November 25, 2007 at 02:32 PM

BW

“ *We are so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our thoughts and  
prayers. Please let us know if we can do anything for you.*

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**Bob, Mellicent, Bobby II, Heather, Heath & Justin Wiley** - November 25, 2007 at  
02:30 PM