



REVEREND CLETUS LOVELADY

Reverend Cletus Lovelady, age 77 of Crockett, formerly of Amarillo, passed away Tuesday, June 15, 2010 in The Concierge Nursing Home in Houston. Reverend Lovelady was born March 9, 1933 in Weches, Texas to Otis Frances and Annie Mae Lovelady. He moved to Amarillo, Texas at 5 years old and graduated from Amarillo High School in 1951.

Reverend Lovelady worked at the Haney grain elevator as he worked his way through Amarillo College. He then attended Howard Payne University, and was head yell leader and vice president of the "Jackets for Jesus", a ministerial service organization. He was a member of student council and the Ministerial Alliance. He was chosen by his classmates for Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges. He graduated from Howard Payne in 1955, then went on to attend Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

While in seminary, he pastored First Baptist Church of Dobbs Valley in Santo, Texas. Upon graduation, he became pastor of First Baptist Church, Allison, Texas. He then served as assistant pastor of Second Baptist Church in Amarillo. Later, he served as the Minister to Singles at Paramount Baptist Church in Amarillo. He began working at the Pantex plant near Amarillo in 1965 and retired in 2002.

Survivors include his one son Jeff Lovelady and wife Janet, of Houston; one daughter Jane Wilson and husband Charles, of Allen; six grandchildren Tanya and Alek Lovelady, and Jonathan, Abigail, Joshua and

Joel Wilson; nieces and nephews LaWanna Graf, Dennis Cowan, Sandra Miller and Jerry Cowan all of Amarillo.

Funeral Services for Reverend Cletus Lovelady were held Saturday, June 19, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Crockett with the Rev. Barbara Kent officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Howard Payne University, Office of University Advancement, P. O. Box 2369, Brownwood, Texas 76804. Condolences for Rev. Lovelady may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com

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