DUWARD WAYNE BURGESS

Mr. Duward Wayne Burgess, Dallas Police Officer since 1970, died at the VA Hospital in Dallas. Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. on Monday, July 24 at Restland Memorial Park. A memorial service followed at East Dallas Christian Church with the Rev. Chris Shorow officiating.

Officer Burgess, a detective in the Southeast Investigative Unit will be remembered for his love of God, family and country and pride in being in law enforcement. Born Sept. 27, 1935 in Yantis to Theodore and Verona Burgess, he graduated from Sulphur Springs High School and earned a degree in Criminal Justice from Abilene Christian University. He served in the U.S. Army and was employed by Continental L-P Products Co. prior to joining the Dallas Police Dept. In 1964 Mr. Burgess married Joan Zachary.

Mr. Burgess was a member of Bethany Christian Church where he served as Deacon, Elder and Church Officer. He was an avid fisherman and golfer and was known for his unique sense of humor. He faced death from cancer with courage and faith and was an inspiration to all.

Mr. Burgess was preceded in death by mother Verona Burgess; brother D.L. Burgess; and beloved daughter Amy Burgess.

Survivors include wife Joan Zachary; father Theodore Burgess; brother Autry Burgess; sisters Mary Crabb and Sandra Bridges and husband Terrell of Crockett; mother-in-law Rose Zachary, as well as many other relatives and friends.

Memorials may be made to the Amy Burgess Music M Commerce Foundation, P. O. Box 3425, Commerce, Tx 75429-3425. His daughter once wrote of her dad, "I only wish every child could have a father like Wayne Burgess." They are together in heaven now and will forever be in our hearts.

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