

CHARLES L. CARTER JR.

Mr. Charles L. Carter, Jr., age 82 of Crockett, passed away March 14, 2003 in the Crockett Care Center. A native of Stamford, Jones County, Mr. Carter graduated with honors from Lake Forest College, Illinois, in 1954. Mr. Carter earned his J.D. from the University of Baltimore School of ın 1959, Law, Maryland, Summa Cum Laude with the highest average in his graduating class. The same year, Mr. Carter was admitted to the Maryland Bar. Mr. Carter was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1969.

During World War II, Mr. Carter served on the U.S.S. Idaho (B.B. 42), University of Washington, Seattle, and he set up the 200 bed Base Hospital #19 on the island of Tinian in the Marianas. The B29 planes that dropped the atomic bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki were based on Tinian. A twenty year Navy Veteran, he retired as a Warrant Officer (Hospital Corps) in 1957. Mr. Carter was awarded the American Defense Medal with the bronze letter "A", European-American-Middle Eastern Asiatic-Campaign Medal, Campaign Medal, Pacific American Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, and five good conduct medals.

Following his admission to the Maryland Bar in 1959, Mr. Carter began the practice of law with the Law Firm of O'Como and Preston in Baltimore, Maryland, Mr. Carter was Managing Partner when he left that firm in 1969. Mr. Carter was in private practice in Crockett in 1969 through 1971. In 1972 he, Donald J. Gordon and R.C. "Chris" Von Doenhoff formed the law firm of Carter, Gordon and Von Doenhoff.

In 1983 he left the firm and practiced alone until his retirement in 2001. A member of the Sigma Delta Kappa and Phi Beta Gamma Law fraternities, Mr. Carter was Chancellor of Phi Beta Gamma Fraternity.

Mr. Carter was Justice of the Peace, Precinct One in Houston County, from 1970 to 1974. Mr. Carter was a member of the State Bar of Texas and the Houston County Bar. Mr. Carter was a Certified Specialist in Family Law from January, 1977 through December 31, 1986.

Mr. Carter was a member of the Kiwanis Club in Maryland and of the Rotary Club in Crockett. Mr. Carter was named a Paul Harris fellow by the Crockett Rotary Club. Mr. Carter was a member of the First Baptist Church of Crockett. Mr. Carter taught Sunday School to the Young Married Couples' class, Whitehall Nursing Home, Telephone Bible Class and A.S. Lee Bible Class. Mr. Carter also helped in Children's Church. Mr. Carter was a member of Lothrop Lodge #21.

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Survivors include his wife Nelda Parks Carter, of Crockett; daughters Sarah Carter Crow and husband Mike, of Crockett, Susan Nicholson Carter, of RichmOnd, grandson Michael Carter Crow, of Crockett; sister Bobbie Thompson and husband Tommy, of Lillington, NC. mother-in-law Essie Parks, of Crockett; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Carolyn Goldman and husband C.A., Diana Parks, all of Crockett, Sandra Parks, of Dallas, James Parks, of Jasper, numerous nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Preceded in death by his son Charles Loveberry "Chad" Carter III in 1980.

Funeral services for Mr. Charles Loveberry Carter, Jr. were held Monday, March 17, at 2:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. E.P. Ramsey, Jr., Dr. John LaNoue, and the Rev. Charles Goodson officialing. Interment followed in the Evergreen Memorial

Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church, 801 E. Goliad, Crockett, TX. 75835; Monroe-Crook House, 707 E. Houston, Crockett, TX 75835; the Lothrop Masonic Lodge #21 AF and AM, P.O. Box 955, Crockett, TX. 75835 or the Chad Carter Scholarship, East Texas Baptist University, Office of Institutional Advancement, 1209 N. Grove, Marshall, TX 75670.

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