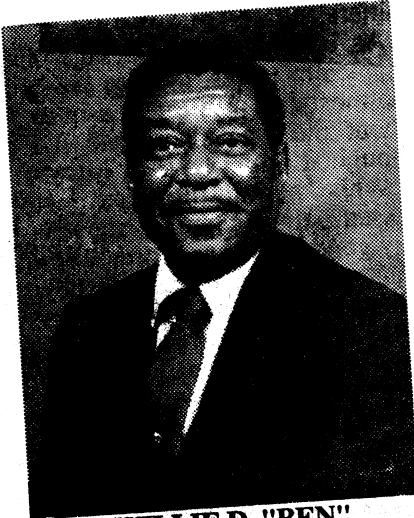


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**WILLIE D. "BEN"  
NEWMAN JR.**

Mr. Willie D. "Ben" Newman, Jr., age 71, passed away Thursday, February 15, 2007 in his home. Mr. Newman was born August 23, 1935 the 2<sup>nd</sup> child of the late Willie D. and Iva Mae Newman. Mr. Newman grew in the Rocky Mountain Community and attended the Rocky Mountain and Crockett Public Schools.

Being reared in a Christian home Mr. Newman united early in life with the Jones Chapel A.M.E. Church under the leadership of Rev. T.J. Shepherd and was baptized. Mr. Newman later united with the Bethel Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Thomas Foster and remained faithful and loyal until the Lord said well done. Mr. Newman was an active member of the Sunday School and Male Chorus and was one of the main cooks for the Men's Breakfast Fellowship every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in the month. Mr. Newman was always eager and ready for this task that he enjoyed so much.

In 1955 Mr. Newman met the love of his life Della Pearl Marshall and was united in Holy Matrimony. Mr. Newman loved and cherished his devoted wife of 51 years. To this union four lovely girls and two boys were born. Mr. Newman worked hard rearing them in the admonish of Christ and emphasizing the importance of education. Mr. Newman never complained of his work. As a young boy he began to work and worked through the last of his life doing what he enjoyed, Detailing Cars. Mr. Newman was employed over the years with Lango Saw Mill, Northcutt Wood Works, Kings Inn Motel, Sullivan Motor Company for 33 years and the City of Crockett for 10 years and retired, but continued to work detailing cars and what ever his hand found to do. Mr. Newman was a great family provider and never settled for nothing but the best for his family. Mr. Newman was a man of few words but was genuine and cordial and he touched many lives as he passed this way, and leaves a legacy of love.

Survivors include his devoted wife Della Newman; mother Iva Mae Newman; daughters Zenitta (Bobby Ray) McKnight and Sonya Ward, all of Crockett, Cecelia (Arthur) Carr, Sr., of Grapeland, Felicia (Joe) Nolan, of Memphis, Tenn. and Venitta Simon, of Houston; sons Willie Anthony (Fannie) Newman, of Crockett, Ricky (Nicole) Newman, of Dallas, Willie Dunn Newman, of Houston; sisters Rosa Jean Person, of Fort Worth, Helen (Tom) Connolly, of Houston; brothers Rev. James Newman, Rev. Isaac (Slyvia) Newman, Rev. Michael (Linda) Newman, all of Fort Worth; aunts Annie

Lou McCullough and Barbara Berry, both of Crockett and Dorothy (Douglas) Adams, of Houston; a special niece and nephew James and Venus Kitchen; special cousin Catheline Smith, of Crockett; 16 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a host of other nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Funeral Services for Mr. Willie D. "Ben" Newman, Jr. were held Saturday, February 15, 2007 at 12:00 noon at Bethel Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. Earl Harris Pastor and officiating.

Active Pallbearers were Authur Carr, II., Alfred Newman, Christopher Newman, Willie A. Newman, Jr., Jerry Taylor, Jr., Adrain Newman, David Connolly, Timothy Williams, Bruce Darrell Layne, Reginald Smith and James Kitchen.

Honorary Pallbearers were Ricky Newman, Wilie Anthony Newman, Rev. James Newman, Rev. Isaac Newman, Rev. Michael Newman, Kevin Bertrand, Authur Carr, Sr., Rodney Curtis, Bobby Ray McKnight, Braxton Newman, Gerrod Person, Jackie Jones, Maxie Cobbs and Thomas.

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