



**AUBREY HERMAN  
(A.H.) SANDERS**

Mr. Aubrey Herman (A.H.) Sanders, age 95, faithful husband, devoted father, adored grandfather and great-grandfather, respected educator, rancher, and true Southern gentleman, entered into his rest on Tuesday, July 15, 2003 at his home in Pennington. Mr. Sanders was born to Roxie Lee Kelly Sanders and John Homer Sanders on July 19, 1907 in Concord, Anderson County, he was the third of seven children. Orphaned at the age of twelve, Mr. Sanders became an industrious individual with a sterling work ethic. As a young man, he played as an infielder for the Missouri-Pacific semi-professional baseball team in Palestine, and advanced to the World Series games in St. Louis, Missouri. A graduate of Montalba High School, Mr. Sanders earned a Bachelor of Science degree in 1939 from Sam Houston State College in Huntsville, while concurrently serving as a corporal in the United States Army National Guard.

Mr. Sanders began his teaching career in Village Mills and Concord. Upon moving to Pennington, he continued teaching social studies, history, and geography, became the faculty advisor to the "Round Up" yearbook staff, and also served as the school principal for several years. Mr. Sanders

married Willie Mae Dominy of Pennington on August 26, 1936 and they enjoyed 53 years of a loving partnership until her death on April 19, 1989.

During World War II, Mr. Sanders painted destroyer escorts in the Houston shipyards and embarked on a farming occupation, as well. Following World War II, Mr. Sanders and his family lived in Palestine, for ten years where he was the manager of the International Harvester Company. Mr. Sanders was active in the First Baptist Church as a deacon and Sunday School teacher. Mr. Sanders was also a leader in community affairs as the president of the Kiwanis Club and a regional board member of the Boy Scouts Council of East Texas.

In 1955, Mr. Sanders and his family returned to Pennington where he resumed teaching history, geography, and government at Crockett High School until his retirement in 1970. Mr. Sanders various activities at Crockett high included coaching the debate team and being the Junior Class Sponsor for numerous years. A charter member and president of the Kiwanis Club in Crockett. Mr. Sanders continued his farming and ranching business while enjoying his wolf-hunting dogs, his flower gardening, and his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. Sanders faithfully served as a dedicated deacon for both Central Baptist Church in Crockett and Pennington Baptist Church throughout his lifetime, remaining an active church member until his death.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law Laura Nell Sanders Garner and husband Dr. Billy Jack, of Pearland; son and daughter-in-law Roger Herman Sanders and wife J. Lynette Riley Sanders, of Nacogdoches; granddaughters Donna Gail Sanders Rider and husband Rev. Joe

Rider, of Cameroon, West Africa, Cheryl Lynn Waldie and husband Rev. Lance Waldie, of Houston; Julie Ann Garner Martin and husband Dr. Donald (Skip) Martin, of Charleston, SC., and Dr. Jennifer Kay Garner, of Pearland; great-grandchildren Tyler and Austin Rider, of Cameroon, West Africa, Daniel and Brooke Waldie, of Houston, and Allison, Ana, and Olivia Martin, all of Charleston, SC.

Preceded in death by his loving wife of 53 years, Willie Mae Dominy; and his four brothers William Warren Sanders, Oliver Sidney Sanders, Ervin Ashley Sanders, and Homer Eldridge Sanders; two sisters Margalou and Anna Lee Sanders.

Memorial services for Mr. Aubrey Herman (A.H.) Sanders were held Friday, July 18 at 2:30 p.m. in Pennington Baptist Church with the Reverend John Goss and the Reverend Dee Queen officiating. Interment followed in the Pennington Cemetery.

If you wish to contribute to his memory, please consider one of these entities: Wycliffe Bible Translators, P.O. Box 628211, Orlando, Florida 32862-8211, and Pennington Cemetery Association/Care of Sandra Henderson, P.O. Box 216, Pennington, TX. 75856.  
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