



F.A. Taylor

May 26, 1922 - December 28, 2009

Services for F.A. Taylor, 87, of Tyler, will be held on Wednesday, December 30, 2009, at 3:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Roy Thoene officiating. A Masonic graveside service will follow at Tyler Memorial Park. Mr. Taylor passed away, Monday, December 28, 2009 at ETMC in Tyler. He was born May 26, 1922 in Smith County to Arnold and Lillie Jane Deshazo Taylor. Mr. Taylor was a lifetime resident of Tyler who owned and operated F.A. Trucking Co. for over 40 years until retirement. He loved ranching and outdoor activities. He was a lifetime Baptist. Mr. Taylor was also a member of the Shriners, the Masonic Lodge # 785 and Eastern Star #972 of Bullard. He was preceded in death by his parents; 2 sons, Bobby Taylor and Junior Taylor; 2 grandsons, Tracy Socia and Shay Taylor; and 1 brother James Taylor. F.A. is survived by his loving family including his wife of 70 years, Ethelyne Taylor of Tyler; daughter, Judy Socia and husband Tom of Tyler; grandchildren, Jennifer Owen, Shawnte' Shaver and Shelly Taylor; and sisters, Helena Taylor of Tyler and Marjorie Sage of Houston. Pallbearers will be Brandon Robbins, Chad Owens, Colten Owens, Mark Taylor, Blade Kirkland, Jim Taylor, Chris Kirkland, George Cooper and C.J. Gullett. Honorary bearers will be members of the Bullard Masonic Lodge. Visitation is scheduled one hour prior to the service, from 2:00 -3:00 PM at the funeral home. For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com.

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“ When I first went to see Mr. & Mrs. Taylor in their home, I had already lived in Tyler for 15 years and had watched their farm become more and more urbanized as the city grew. When he shared their story with me, I developed a respect for what they had been through and the challenges they faced. When we completed the sale of the property north of Grande, I was as excited for the stress I was removing from their lives as much as the money they were receiving. In the years since, I have had several occasions to visit with them and grew even fonder of both. F.A. was a part of Texas that is quickly fading from view, and that's not a good thing!

Tom DeWitt - December 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM