



J. Cooper

October 3, 1926 - August 17, 2005

Services for J. B. Cooper, 78, Tyler, are scheduled for 2:00 P.M., Saturday, August 20, 2005, at Stewart Family Funeral Chapel with Rev. Robert Carter, Senior Pastor of Colonial Hills Baptist Church and Rev. Jerry Calaway officiating. Burial will be in Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery under direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mr. Cooper passed away Wednesday, August 17, 2005 in Tyler after a long illness. J. B. was born on October 3, 1926 in San Augustine County, Texas to the late Henry Allen and Annilea Cooper. He was preceded in death by his brother, Troy Cooper. He grew up in Martinsville, Texas and graduated from Nacogdoches High School and later from Stephen F. Austin State University. He has lived in Tyler since 1963. He served in the United States Army during World War II and retired from United States Fire Insurance Company as a Claims Supervisor. Mr. Cooper was a charter member of Colonial Hills Baptist Church where he served as a deacon. He was a member of the Celebration Choir, The Silver Notes Senior Adult Choir, and was Coordinator of the Prayer Ministry at Colonial Hills. J. B. is survived by his loving family including his wife of 51 years, Dorothy Hays Cooper of Tyler, daughters, Kathy Jacobe and husband, Tom of Frisco and Karol Ellis and husband, Larry of Lewisville; grandchildren, Malisa and Justin Buchanan of Lewisville; sisters, Jessie Porter and husband, Joe of Whittier, California and Mildred Vaughn of Tyler. Pallbearers will be Jack Huckabee, Bill Sanders, David Haney, Don Bullock, Kenneth Jefferson, and Truett Conner. Honorary Pallbearers are the deacons of Colonial Hills Baptist Church, Michael Blumn,

Bob Williams and Dr. Curtis Trevathan. The family will receive friends from 6:30-8:00 P.M. Friday at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy., south Tyler 75703. The family would like to express our appreciation to the staff and volunteers of Hospice of East Texas for their wonderful care. If desired, memorials may be made in honor of J. B. Cooper to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, Texas 75701.

Tribute Wall

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“Daddy,
Tomorrow is your 53rd anniversary with Mom. I know you are looking down with love at her. I pray God will allow her to feel your embrace tomorrow. I love you deeply and miss you still...

Karol Ellis - August 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“Happy Birthday, Daddy. I miss you down here more than you can imagine. I know the angels are celebrating with you today. Not only your physical birthday, but your heavenly birthday as well. Don't worry about us. We're all doing okay.

"Turn your eyes upon Jesus. Look full in his wonderful face. And the things of earth will grow strangely dim. In the light of His glory and grace." I love you, Daddy.

Your Daughter, Kathy

Kathy Jacobe - August 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Our love and deepest sympathy to a wonderful family. May God bless you with His peace at this difficult time.

We knew J.B. as a prayer partner who was committed to the ministry of intercessory prayer. He worked very hard to organize prayer teams and men's prayer breakfasts. His consistency, faithfulness, and passion for prayer was an example for us all to follow.

I also worked with J.B. in the church office. I named him our "Minister of Everything Else" because he was willing to help out in any area with a need! No job was too great or too small. His sense of humor often helped us keep things in perspective, and his undying loyalty to our Church and Church Staff was another example for us to follow.

There will be a void in our Church and in our hearts, but we can see him rejoicing and singing today in Heaven. We thank God for witnesses like J.B. who have gone on before us and showed us how to run the race.

Patti and Stan Harvey - August 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dorothy, Karol, Kathy and family -
You know how very special you are to me. We have been friends for many years. I pray God's blessings on you and may He wrap His loving arms around you in this time of loss of your husband, father, grandfather and my dear friend. J.B. will be missed. God Bless you.

Nelda Ellis - August 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM