



Jean Meek

November 23, 1937 - October 24, 2019

Services for J. L. "Jean" Meek, will be held on Monday, October 28, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in the Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Doug Anderson, Rev. Bo Richardson and Rev. Gary Meek officiating. Burial will follow at Cathedral in the Pines in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mr. Meek was born November 23, 1937 to Riley Clifton Meek and Mattie Belle Tinsley Meek in the Denton county community of McCurley Prairie. He passed away Thursday, October 24, 2019 at the age of 81, following a courageous battle with cancer. He was preceded in death by Norma his beloved wife of 59 years.

Jean had a long career in manufacturing and, at the time of his death, was president of Kemp-Meek Manufacturing in Mineola, Texas. He also worked tirelessly to support the growth and development of business in Mineola. In addition, he was a founding member of the Mineola Foundation, an organization focused on providing vocational education for young people.

Mr. Meek was a member of Rose Heights Church in Tyler, where he served on the Missions Board for many years. His hobbies included classic cars, traveling and enjoying time with immediate and extended family.

Jean is survived by his loving family, including daughter, Janet Meek Lang and husband Lindsay of Lindale; his cherished fiancée, Helen Glidewell of Lindale; one brother, Charles Meek; one sister, Auline Meek Summers; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Warren Brown, Danny Laux, Jeff Laux, Cody Oswalt, Ron Meek, Mike Meek, Mike Gray and Jeremy Laux.

Visitation is scheduled from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 27, 2019 at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway in Tyler.

If desired, memorials may be made to Mineola Foundation Inc., P.O. Box 684 Mineola, Texas 75773 or email w.brown@suddenlink.net.

Cemetery Details

Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery

7825 South Broadway Avenue
Tyler, TX 75703

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 27. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Service

OCT 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jean Meek*



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“ Jean Meek was a humble man of great integrity ! A man who you could always depend on his word! He was a Godly example

It's hard to say Jean without Norma. I first became acquainted with Jean and Norma when I took the pastorate of First Assembly in Lindale, Tx

They were faithful, committed and supportive to the church and me as a pastor! Now Jean always stated his opinion, and in most cases he was right on . I gleaned from his wisdom.

I recall making a visit to the hospital ,as I always would when Norma was in. She was on the phone and I could tell it was Jean! I could see he wasn't able to keep things straight in the office with her gone !

She finally said ' honey leave it alone I'll straighten it up' At which time the call ended.

She said he messes books up when I'm gone and we laughed.

They were one in all ways !

Jean was a brilliant man! But very unassuming!

When Norma was moved to the Nursing Home in Lindale I would surprise her with Dairy Queen blizzards! One day I got caught going in as Jean was leaving. 'Pastor she cannot have it her sugar is up!' So I handed it to one of the nurses.

I've had a long history either this family since 1988

I have privilege of performing Janet and Lindsay's wedding! Judy did the reception and Norma gave her the freedom. We laughed because Janet was strong headed! Norma said 'Judy just do it , don't worry about her!' Jean just rolled his eyes!

We will be forever blessed and enriched of having Jean Norma Janet and Lindsay apart of our lives

Much love

Pastor Gary and Judy Oglesby - October 28, 2019 at 06:53 PM

JB

“ It's hard to share one memory because Jean created a million for me. I know he is heaven because if he isn't there then there is no heaven. Jean was a servant of Jesus his life is proof of that. He was my mentor and the brother I never had. We met as business association and over the last 20 years created a closeness I will always be gratefull for.

He was extremely bright and always gave of himself for the benefit of others, again his life is prove of that. A true American who served his country ,family and friends.

Jean and I spoke 10,000 hours and he saved my soul because I trusted him like my Dad who passed away two years ago. He loved my Dad and my Dad loved him. Jean loved a short poem my Dad said several weeks before he passed. I mailed that saying to him in a picture. Simply stated:

"ALWAYS TRY TO DO YOUR BEST, BE HAPPY WITH THE RESULTS AND TRUST IN GOD"

john Bruno - October 28, 2019 at 03:37 PM

JT

“ I was introduced to Jean by Pastor James Dill at The Shepherds Heart. Jean and I were both established inventors and engineers so it was the beginning of a friendship made in Heaven.

Jean was my elder and I counted on his extensive experience and wisdom to help keep my feet on the ground with some of my hair brain ideas. And, through this continuous back and forth exchange, I finally hit on an idea that Jean thought had merit so he threw in with me, and Hydroeffacer, Inc., based in Jackson, WY, was born. Jean was one of our esteemed directors and his company Kemp Meek Manufacturing in Mineola, TX, provides our product development. Words cannot describe how much our business will miss Jean.

But more important than business, I knew Jean as my brother in Christ. I came to love and respect this GIANT of a man for his love of Christ and his walking the walk. Jean counseled me through the hard times and his spiritual advice was always spot on. In short, I became a better Christian man because of Jean. His philanthropy taught me how to give back; his selflessness taught me how to care for others knowing that God will take care of me; his humbleness taught me how to be reserved and more self confident; his biblical knowledge taught me how to study my Bible more and and do a better job of living according to scripture.

I could go on and on, but it would be endless because what Jean meant to me, and so many others, really can't be put into words. Yes, Jean Meek was as good a man as I have ever known. I am heartbroken as I'm sure so many others are. However, I find solace knowing that there is no greater Victory than to be summoned Home by the Almighty Heavenly Father.

I'll never forget Jean's final words..."John, John, John, I love you man." Brother Jean, I love you too. In the darkness of death, there shines a bright light. And, so shall it be in the dawn of Eternal Glory, we will meet again my friend. We will meet again.

My condolences to Jean's family and friends and all of his wonderful employees at Kemp Meek manufacturing. Lifting all of you up in prayer at this difficult time. And, my apologies for not being able to attend the service as there was just not enough time to make travel arrangements. I will be making a donation to The Shepherds Heart in Jean's name.

John R. Taylor

John Taylor - October 28, 2019 at 12:56 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jean Meek.*



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