



Larry Patterson

May 24, 1940 - June 19, 2008

Services for Richard Larry Patterson, 68, of Tyler, will be held Sunday, June 22 at 2:00 p.m. at Stewart Family Funeral Home with Ken Warren of Green Acres Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Noonday Cemetery in Noonday under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mr. Patterson went home to be with his Lord June 19, 2008. He was born May 24, 1940 in Terrell, Texas to the late Robert and Floy Patterson. He graduated from Tyler High School in 1958. He graduated from Tyler Junior College and attended East Texas State University. Mr. Patterson was a longtime member of Green Acres Baptist Church. He worked at Continental Can Co., Alton Packaging and Patterson Trading Co. In 1980, he formed his own company, Tyler Corrugated Box, Inc. Larry Patterson was married to his high school sweetheart, Lillie Jean Phillips Patterson for 48 years. The loves of his life were his children and grandchildren. He loved going on trips with them, taking them to the lake and having a "grand" celebration each 4th of July for them. He was an avid hunter and had a great passion for collecting cars. His generosity and quick wit will be truly missed by those who knew and loved him. Mr. Patterson was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Floy Patterson, and a brother, Harold Patterson. He is survived by his wife, Jean; son and daughter-in-law Greg and Amy Patterson of Tyler; a daughter and son-in-law Teri and Tom Westerheide of Fort Worth; four grandchildren, Whitney and Wade Westerheide of Fort Worth, and Olivia and Martha Patterson of Tyler; a brother, Raymond Patterson of Denton; many nieces and

nephews and a host of friends. Pallbearers will be Lee Phillips, Allan Moss, Alex Moss, Aaron Saldana, Leroy Sellers, and Jerry Peery. Visitation is scheduled for Saturday, June 21, 2008 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Stewart Family Funeral Home 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy., Tyler, Texas 75703. Memorials in honor of Larry Patterson may be made to Green Acres Baptist Church, 1607 Troup Highway, Tyler, Texas 75701 or the American Cancer Society, 1301 South Broadway, Tyler, Texas 75701.

Tribute Wall

LB

“ I had occasion to meet Mr. and Mrs. Patterson as one of Wade and Whitney's 3rd grade teachers. I also taught with Teri. Her parents came to many events at the school to support their grandkids. Wade and Whitney would grin from ear to ear every time they visited the school. I can tell you that it is obvious Mr. Patterson loved his family and he was loved tremendously in return. From stories I've heard, I believe he has passed on a great sense of humor, love and compassion to his kids and grandkids. There must be so many wonderful memories of special times spent together. I pray that God will bless those memories and keep them forever in your hearts. I am grateful to Mr. Patterson for his part in loving and nurturing his children and grandchildren and helping them grow into wonderful individuals. My prayers are with your family.

Lori Blakley - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Jean, I was so sad to hear of Larry's passing. He was such a pleasure to do business with. He taught me a lot about the corrugated business and I looked forward to his visits and the occasional lunches at Johnny Cace's. I will keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. Look to our Heavenly Father for compassion and comfort. He will never leave you or forsake you.

God Bless you,

Jana (Barker) Campbell
(buyer for Stemco Inc)

Jana (Barker) Campbell - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *The Rhodes family send our prayers.*

Shannon Rhodes - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ *Teri and Family,*

We are so sorry for your loss. Your father sounded like a loving and wonderful man, father and grandfather who will be deeply missed. We will pray for God's comfort for all of you in the days ahead.

With love and prayers,

Karen & Richard

Karen (Smith) & Richard Truitt - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *Uncle Larry and Aunt Jean. They were a pair! Salt and Sugar! I only have vague memories of him before they were married , even though he lived with our family. I never knew what he had to overcome at such a young age, by becoming an orphan at 13, and yes, he did overcome it so well, by leaving a legacy of love and family. He was my favorite Uncle and did the best "Donald Duck" impression imaginable. He and my Aunt Jean used to have me to spend the night with them before Greg & Teri were born. They made me feel like the Queen of England in their tiny Garage Apt. on Lincoln/Gentry Parkway. I especially loved him because he would say whatever he thought and he was always interested in what I thought or what I had to say as well. He had such a dry wit, and a spark about him!! They broke the mold when he was born. He was loved, and will be missed.*

Debbe Patterson Howard - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ God Bless you. Our prayes go out to you. We are thinking of you in your time of sorrow. Bobby and Calisa Johnson

Bobby Johnson - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ My thoughts are with the whole family because of your loss. I have fond memories spent primarily in my youth with my fathers (Raymond Patterson) family. Sincerely, B. Diane Mitchell

Barbara Diane Patterson-Mitchell - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

IM

“ To Jean Patterson and Family,
We would like to give you our deepest condolences and just to let you know that you and your family are in our prayers. Larry will truly be missed.

Israel Moya and Family.

Israel Moya - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

J(

“ Your family has always been a special part of my childhood and great memories, especially softball season! I will be praying for you and your family and know that God will give you the strength to view each day with hope! I wish I could have been there today, please know that your family is being lifted up to God, the only one who can heal your hearts. Love ya and God Bless!

Judi Turman (Flanagan) - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ So sorry to hear of Larry's passing. We wish that we could be with you at this difficult time. We are with you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. We pray that God will provide you and the family the solice and strength required now and in the future. God Bless.

Don & Joan Westerheide - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Dawn Rhodes & Family - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Jean and family my thoughts are with you right now and I pray that you all find comfort from those around you at this time.

*God is the One who sees the whole,
His knowledge is complete:
We see but portions of the truth
As lines that never meet. D. De Haan*

Joan Moore - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Anything we can do to help you in any way, just ask. We are here for you all.

*Love and prayers,
Steve & Jean Manley*

Steve & Jean Manley - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *Myself and my family send our deepest condolences to Jean and the whole Patterson family. Larry will be deeply missed, and Tyler Corrugated will not be the same without him. God bless you and your family. We will remember you in our prayers.*

Thomas and Malanie Dean - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *You will be sorely missed, Larry.*

Patti Sjerven - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM