



## Robert Ross

November 24, 1918 - August 11, 2009

Services for Robert JD Ross, 90 of Tyler will be held on Friday, August 14, 2009 at 1:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home chapel with Rev. T.W. Maddux officiating. Entombment will be on Saturday, August 15, 2009 at 11:00 AM at Sparkman Hillcrest Mausoleum in Dallas under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Rev. Ross died Wednesday, August 11, 2009 at Hospice of East Texas. Rev. Ross was born November 24, 1918 to Robert and Lela Buchanan Ross in Oklahoma. He was the sixth child born to this union. Six weeks later his father was a victim of the flu epidemic, causing his death. Although, not being brought up in church, he had a hunger for God as young as 8 years of age. At age 12 there was a brush arbor revival in their community. After walking alone for three miles to attend that meeting, he accepted Christ. Not long after, he felt the call of God to become a minister. At age 16 he was a deacon in the rural church that had been established. He applied himself in intensive study of the Bible and took numerous courses, which resulted in his being a state convention speaker on occasions. He married Dorothy Louise Wolfe and together they pioneered several churches as well as pastored those already established, both in Oklahoma and Texas, for more than 60 years. He was preceded in death by his wife Dorothy of 69 years. He is survived by 2 daughters and sons-in-law: Drunell Maddux and husband Tom of Tyler, Barbara Singer and husband Karl of Dallas; grandchildren and spouses: Rick Maddux and wife Cheryl of Tyler, Sandi Knowles and husband Mark of Arlington, Keri Rice and husband Gregg of

Dallas, Meredith Webster and husband Tom of California; 7 great grandchildren: Chad Maddux of Tyler, Josh Knowles and wife Katherine of Houston, Clay Knowles of Arlington, Reed and Reagan Rice of Dallas, Madeline and Garrett Webster of California; a sister and brother and a host of friends. Pallbearers will be the grandsons and great grandsons. Visitation is scheduled from 6:00 – 8:00 PM Thursday at Stewart Family Funeral Home 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy., Tyler, Texas 75703. He will be remembered for his passion for God, his knowledge of the Word and his love and concern for family. Heaven is now richer because of his arrival. He lived with an eternal perspective. If desired, memorials in honor of Robert JD Ross may be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, Texas 75701

# Tribute Wall

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“ We always enjoyed hearing Bro. Ross preach at Grace Chapel, to hear him break out in song during his sermon was always a treat, it made us smile. The last time we saw him was at spice of life at Grace, Arvin enjoyed visiting with him. What a day that will be when our loved ones we will see & we look upon his face the one who saved us by his grace, what a day that will be!

*God bless you,  
Judy Whittaker & family*

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