



## Roy Bean

October 3, 1918 - January 17, 2012

Services for Roy Hulett Bean, 93, of Tyler, will be held on Friday, January 20, 2012 at 2:30 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Rhett Ansley officiating. Burial will follow in Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery under direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home with military honors. Mr. Bean passed away January 17, 2012. He was born October 3, 1918 in Little Rock, Arkansas to the late Winslow G. Bean and music composer Mabel Bean. Roy received his bachelor's degree in music from Arkansas State Teachers College in Conway, which is now known as the University of Central Arkansas. During World War II, Roy was a navigator of B24's. He started teaching band at Fordyce High School in 1940 and later at Conway High School before moving to Texas in 1950 where he taught band and choir mostly in Beaumont and Silsbee. Roy also directed choirs in Methodist churches for over thirty years. He was principle French horn player in the Arkansas State Symphony Orchestra and played ten years in the Beaumont Symphony. Roy was also a member of First United Methodist Church in Bullard. Mr. Bean is preceded in death by his first wife Pearl Iva Bean in 1987 and by his second wife Dorothy Bridenthall Bean in 2008. Roy is survived by his loving family including his children, Judy Breitling and husband Don of Bullard and Charles W. Bean and wife Betty of Nederland. He is also survived by five grandchildren and eight great- grandchildren. Pallbearers will be Dustin Rounsavall, Michael Breitling, Carlos Guerra, Tim Bean, Dr. Joe Bill Belue and Chris Bennett. Visitation is scheduled from 1:30 to 2:30 P.M., one hour prior to service at Stewart Family

Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy. in Tyler. The family wishes to thank Roy's special friends, Brenda Hobbs, Amy Wright and Carmen Cortez, and hospice nurse Joyce Story, for their love and devotion to him. Memorials in honor of Roy may be made to the Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, 75701. For more information or to express condolences, visit [www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com](http://www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“*Mr. Bean was a great influence in my life. Teacher, choir director, friend and mentor. I sang in his school choirs in Silsbee, and in the First Methodist Church Youth and Chancel Choirs under his direction. A kinder man was never born. The world has lost a great musician and a great man. I am so glad that he was a part of my life. To his family, know that he was so loved by so many. May he rest in peace, and wonderful music.*

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**Wilson Neyland** - January 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“*He was a great man who taught me much of what I know now about music. I started playing piano for him when he met me in 7th grade band (I played flute) and he found out I could play piano. He sought me out to accompany the choir and I did just that for all of Jr. High and High School for all his choirs. Those were, by far, the BEST years of my life and I have him to thank for most of the fun I had, sometimes at his expense! lol After a couple of years I could pretty much read his mind as far as what the choirs needed to rehearse. He was the only father figure I had in my youth and I will be forever grateful for the times we had together. What a sad day for us, but a great time he must be having in heaven now. We will miss you!!!*

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**Charlie Bumstead Mosley** - January 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“*I'm sorry to hear of your loss. Mr. Bean was my choir teacher at Silsbee High School from 10-12th grade when I graduated in 1970. He was always a favorite teacher. I valued the leadership he gave and the excellence he always tried to get from his students. I have many fond memories of performances, competitions and choir trips with him.*

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**Suzy Griffin Thompson** - January 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mr. Bean was my choir teacher when I moved to Silsbee from FL in 1969 during my Junior year. He was a wonderful, caring man who encouraged his students to enjoy music, have fun and strive for their very best. His family should know he was much loved and respected by many, many students and I rejoice as he celebrates his love of music for our Heavenly Father.*

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**Ouida Sherman Spears** - January 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mr. Bean was one of the greatest influences in my life as I grew up. He was my choir teacher for 6 years at Silsbee Junior High and Silsbee High School. The love for music that I have and that has meant so much in my life was in large part imparted to me through his careful instruction and selfless devotion to his students.*

*Much of what I learned from him I have tried to pass on to my children in their musical pursuits. Indeed, I have referred to him often enough that all my children know who "Mr. Bean" is. His legacy is one of understanding what makes music sound beautiful, hard work to accomplish that, and selflessness, kindness and patience.*

*He has touched countless lives, and his wonderful influence can be seen in the lives of his students and their students. I will miss him greatly, and will be forever grateful to him for what he did for me.*

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**Kyle Worley** - January 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mr. Bean was our first bandmaster and had a fine band at Fordyce before and after WW II. He was a great man and made all of us a little better with his discipline and love for us. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Patsy Miles Darling and O. H. "Doogie"  
Darling.*

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**Doogie and Patsy Darling** - January 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Judy and Charles, I am sad to read of your father's death. I was one of his band members for three years in Fordyce, AR, being drum major my senior year. He was a very kind man; we all respected him. God bless you in adjusting without his presence.*

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**Norma Ennis-Jaynes** - January 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I was blessed to have Mr. Bean as my choir director at Silsbee High School 1980 - 1984. Through his love of music and dedication to his students, he provided wonderful opportunities of choir trips, musicals, etc where we created treasured memories and life long friends. I have loving, warm thoughts today of my dear teacher and send heart felt condolences to his family. I am eternally grateful for Mr. Bean's influence in my life.*

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**Tabatha Hartman Matlock** - January 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM