



## Weldon Autrey

October 10, 1914 - July 24, 2008

Services for Weldon "Gene" Autrey, age 93, of Tyler, will be held on Sunday, July 27, 2008, at 3:00 p.m., at Marvin United Methodist Church with Dr. John Robbins officiating. A private entombment will follow in Rose Hill Mausoleum in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mr. Autrey passed away Thursday, July 24, 2008. He was born October 10, 1914, to the late P.V. and May Perry Autrey in Jacksonville, Texas. He was a member of Marvin United Methodist Church and former teacher of the Friendly Sunday School class. Mr. Autrey grew up in Gallatin, Texas. He worked 22 years with Maytag as a regional manager before establishing himself as owner and operator of Gene Autrey Equipment Company. He loved to golf and was a member of Willowbrook Country Club. Mr. Autrey is survived by his son, Hugh Autrey and wife, Beverly, of Lake Palestine, Texas; his daughter, Jeanette Jupp and husband, Walter, of Bullard; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by special friend and companion, Dr. Johnnie Abbey, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by parents; his first wife, Katholyn Autrey; his second wife, Louise Autrey; a brother, Clarence Autrey; and a sister, Jean Autrey Jones. Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. Duane Andrews, Dr. Pat Thomas, David Allison, Rea Boudreaux, Andy Walls, Ted Rhodes, Mike Rowan, Judge Jack Skeen, and members of the Friendly Sunday School class at Marvin United Methodist Church. Memorials in honor of Mr. Autrey may be made to Marvin United Methodist Church, 300 W. Erwin, Tyler, Texas,

75702 or the charity of one's choice. Visitation is scheduled from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Saturday, July 26, 2008 at Stewart Family Funeral Home. For more information or to express condolences, visit [www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com](http://www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com).

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“ Dear Friends and Family of Mr. Weldon "Gene" Autrey:

*We wish to express our most sincere sympathy to all of you who have known and loved Gene Autrey. Even though, "Mr. Gene's" time with us was short, he endeared himself greatly as an important member of our Prestige Estates Family. What a difference he has made for all of us in such a short time!*

*His time with us at Prestige Estates Assisted Living impacted our lives profoundly. His jovial and upbeat spirit welcomed us everyday. Mr. Autrey's love and devotion for our Lord Jesus Christ was a testimony for all whose lives touched his. His, "Gift of Praise" will continue to be spiritually uplifting for all of us.*

*"Mr. Gene" was a millionaire who was rich in hugs and kisses and made sure that everyone around him became a millionaire also.*

*His zest for, " Life and Love and Laughter", (and really great food) will remind us to live each day to it's fullest.*

*"Mr. Gene" we will always hold you in our hearts. When the morning sunlight streams through our windows here at Prestige Estates we will know that is just your quick-ready smile shining upon us and your laughter will echo joy in our halls. We love you and will miss you.*

*Sincerely Yours,  
Your Prestige Estates Family*

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**Kristy Redman** - July 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM