



Edward Luther Deas

February 1, 1938 - May 3, 2009

EDWARD L. DEAS,

Born February 1, 1938 in Purvis, Mississippi to Nader and Julia Holcomb Deas died Sunday, May 3, 2009 at his residence in Hammond. He graduated high school at 16 and William Carey College at 19 years of age. Masters Degree from Mississippi Southern and + 30 from SLU. He was a basketball coach in Mississippi and Washington Parish School system. He was principal of Pine High School for 20 years. He was president of the Washington Parish Retired Teachers Association for the past 3 years. A member of the Louisiana Reading Council and past member of the Louisiana Association of School Executives, Louisiana Association of Principals and Phi Delta Kappara. He was active for years in local, parish and state politics.

He wanted to be remembered as “a man who hated no one and who always tried to help anyone in need.”

Beloved husband of Mary Kenney Deas Father of five children from his first marriage to Jean Anderson Deas; Donna Thomas, Janet Thomas, Jody Deas all of Pine, Mike Deas of Walker, LA and Julie Leyrer of Madisonville. Two stepchildren: Stephen Link of Albany; Mary Beth Crovetto of Ponchatoula Two brothers: William “Bill” Deas of Tupelo, MS; Robert O. Deas of Denver, CO 11 Grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and 5 step grandchildren

Visitation will be from 6 PM until 10 PM Tuesday, May 5, 2009 and after 9 AM Wednesday, at First Baptist Church in Franklinton, LA. A funeral service will be held at 11 AM Wednesday at the church with Rev. Harold Gaddy and Rev.

Donal Chance officiating. Burial will follow in the Rose Memorial Cemetery in Hammond, LA.

Tribute Wall

VM

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers. Mike and Vickie McNeal

Vickie McNeal - May 11, 2009 at 08:26 AM

EM

“ I remember the days I taught when he was principal. I enjoyed being at Thomas Jr. High. My deepest sympathy go to you for your lost. He will be greatly missed.
Sincerely, Ernestine Miller

Ernestine Miller - May 07, 2009 at 09:03 PM

DF

“ Dear Deas Family, So sad to hear of your loss. Coach Deas was just as fine a person as I've ever run across. Always had a smile and acted glad to see me, a trait that I think he passed on to his children, a trait worth more than gold. Just wanted you to know that I think he was one of those folks who always lifted others up. We'll miss him. Regards, Don Ferguson

don ferguson - May 07, 2009 at 02:30 PM

CM

“ To all the Deas gang, please accept my sincerest condolences. My kids and I were blessed by having known "Coach" and all of you.
Hugs and prayers

Chris (Goss) (Forbes) Morgan - May 05, 2009 at 09:23 PM

DS

“ Our office and staff want to send our deepest thoughts and sympathy for the loss of Mr. Ed, he was a wonderful man and a great patient! Our prayers are with your family.

Dr. Robbie Brown & Staff - May 05, 2009 at 07:44 PM

AH

“ Janet, I will always remember your dad fondly. I'm glad he was principal the first several years I taught at Pine School. He was always very kind.

Ann Hingle - May 05, 2009 at 07:41 PM

JB

“ Donna, Janet, and Mike, I extend my deepest sympathies to each of you in the loss of you father. He was an educator admired by both students and peers. May God be with you and help you hold your memories in your heart.

Judy Rollins Burch - May 05, 2009 at 05:48 PM

BC

“ Sharron and I wish to express our deep condolences for your loss! Ed was my friend ,I will miss him.
Billy and Sharron Crain

Billy Crain - May 05, 2009 at 09:20 AM

AH

“ Donna, Janet, Mike and family...I am so very sorry to hear about your loss...I know how hard it is to lose a Dad and my prayers are with you as you go through this difficult time. We all shared some wonderful times in the past and each of you hold a very special place in my heart. May God bless and keep each of you, "Miss" Ann

Ann Harrell - May 04, 2009 at 10:38 PM

MV

“ My heartfelt condolences to the entire family, whom I have known my whole life. Mr. Deas was a good man and kind to everyone. He will surely be missed on this earth, but I know he is in peace now with our Heavenly Father. God Bless each and every one of you. Love you all. Marie Vince

Marie Vince - May 04, 2009 at 08:19 PM

HB

“ Edward Luther Deas

Hayes Bickham - May 04, 2009 at 05:22 PM

GT

“ Glyn and I are so sorry for your loss. Glyn will always remember how good of a man Mr. Deas was. He was a fine man. Your family are in our hearts, minds and prayers Glyn and Joy Thomas

Glyn and Joy Thomas - May 04, 2009 at 05:17 PM

BL

“ Julie, sorry to hear about your Dad . You will be in my prayers.
Becky

Becky Penton Ladner - May 04, 2009 at 03:28 PM

KT

“ Jean, Janet, Donna and family: Please know we will continue to lift up your family in our prayers. Let your "memories" be of comfort until you meet again.
GOD BLESS YOU!
Sincerely,

Kathy Taylor - May 04, 2009 at 02:02 PM

JB

“ I am sorry to hear about your loss, your Dad was special to me in my years at Pine, I always enjoyed him as a coach. I will pray God's support for you during this time. with love, John Scott

John Scott Bailey - May 04, 2009 at 12:57 PM

GS

“ I was sorry to read of "Coach" Deas passing. He was a good man and kind to everyone. My sympathies to the family. God Bless You.

Gary Stafford - May 04, 2009 at 11:48 AM

JR

“ Donna, Janet, Mike, Julie and Jody my thoughts are with you in the loss of a good man. He gave me a start along the path of teaching and coaching. We spent hours discussing his favorite passion, basketball. I loved him and he loved me. He will be missed by a multitude of people, but most of all by you. God bless you in this hour.

Jim Richardson - May 04, 2009 at 10:56 AM

LV

“ janet & family. i am so sorry to hear about mr. deas. i heard he was sick. sympathy goes out to the family. he was a great man and will be truly missed by many. may god bless you and your family during this time.

lorie tynes vernon - May 04, 2009 at 10:47 AM

JF

“ Janet, Mike & Family, We are very sorry to hear of the loss of your Daddy. Find comfort in the Lord, who offers it beyond measure. Love, Jennifer and Wayne

Jennifer and Wayne Fleming - May 04, 2009 at 10:21 AM