



Robert Louis Spencer

December 9, 1916 - April 3, 2014

Robert Louis Spencer, age 97 and a resident of Mt. Hermon, LA, died at 11:25 a.m. on Thursday, April 3, 2014, at Good Samaritan Nursing Home. He was affectionately known as “Popsie” and “Papa” to his family. He was a native of Hattiesburg, MS, and a longtime resident of New Orleans. Robert moved to Washington Parish following Hurricane Katrina. He began working for The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company (A&P) while still in high school. In 1957, he was promoted to assistant superintendent of the New Orleans Unit of A&P. He later became corporate vice-president and president of the New Orleans, Dallas and Louisville Units. A few years later, he was asked to take over the Indianapolis, Detroit and Toledo Divisions. When Robert retired in 1982, he had worked for A&P for fifty years. He served two years as a consultant for the company after his retirement. Robert was a member of Edgewater East Baptist Church and enjoyed playing golf. He always kept a beautiful yard with an outstanding flower garden. Robert loved being with family and enjoyed family trips to Gulf Shores, AL, and Percy Quin State Park in MS. He is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Joe Baugh of Mt. Hermon, LA; two grandchildren and spouses, Lisa and Keith Speights of Brandon, MS, and Joe H. Baugh, Jr. and Julie Baugh of Hattiesburg, MS; five great-grandchildren, Hannah and Haley Speights, Rebekah, Joseph, and Jacob Baugh; one sister-in-law, Louise Spencer of Hattiesburg, MS; three step-children and spouses, Diane and Larry Keller of Brenham, TX, Michael and Margret Brown of Lake Forest, CA, and Donna Brown of Indonesia; nine

step-grandchildren, and thirteen step-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his first wife of thirty-nine years, Helen Chancellor Spencer, and his second wife of twenty-one years, Laverne Brown Spencer; his parents, Claude Spencer and Bertha Bradford Spencer; two brothers and a sister-in-law, Lamar and Libby Spencer and Arthur Spencer; two sisters and a brother-in-law, Gladys and Harry Miller and Ruth Hurless; and an infant brother, Raymond Spencer. Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home Tuesday, April 8th from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Joey Miller and Dr. Joe Baugh officiating. Burial will follow with a 3:30 p.m. committal service in the Highland Cemetery in Hattiesburg, MS. Pallbearers will be: Dr. Joe Baugh, Joe Baugh, Jr., Keith Speights, Rex Kelly, Richard Davis, Scott Davis, Chad Davis, and Nicholas Davis. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the missions fund at Mt. Hermon Baptist Church.

Tribute Wall

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“*Mrs. Barbara and family, sorry for your loss. Prayers and thoughts for you and your family at this time.*

Rhonda Kinlaw Byrd - April 11, 2014 at 03:57 PM

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“*Barbara and Joe I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Robert, our thoughts and prayers are with you. I will not be able to attend the service as I am in Seattle. Tom and Dianne*

Tom Herrin - April 07, 2014 at 12:45 PM

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“*Joe and Barbara, we are so sorry for your loss and will be praying for you during this time. Take comfort in the fact that he lived a very full life and that you were able to take care of him until the end. It is also comforting to know that we will see him again in heaven. Not sure if we will make the funeral or not but you know our situation-- one day at a time. We love you and will be thinking about you.*

Jim and Ruth Nell Kinnison - April 06, 2014 at 01:04 PM

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“*Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time!*

Beverly - April 06, 2014 at 12:11 PM

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“*Barbara and Joe, Thinking of you and your family at this time and saying a little prayer. God is good. Jane and FinleyF*

Finley Corkern - April 06, 2014 at 10:13 AM

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“ We were sorry to hear about your great loss. We will be praying for GOD'S great comfort and peace for all of you today and in the days and months ahead. GOD loves you all & we love you too, Ronnie & Terry Moak Patrick & Rikki Morris & family Danny & Melissa Parkinson & family

Terry Moak - April 04, 2014 at 05:39 PM