



Mr. G. Dean Soape

March 30, 1933 - January 25, 2018

Services for G. Dean Soape, 84 of Carthage, will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, January 27, 2018 at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Carthage with Reverend Rick Linebarger and Reverend Justin King officiating. Burial will follow in the Antioch Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. at Hawthorn Funeral Home Friday night. Dean peacefully passed away Thursday, January 25, 2018 at his home.

Gerald Dean Soape was born March 30, 1933 in Carthage. He was one of three children born to Herman Franklin and Hazel Havana Blair Soape. He graduated from Carthage High School in 1950, attended Panola Junior College and graduated on May 25, 1954 from Stephen F. Austin State University with a B.B.A. degree in Accounting. Dean married Iva Nell Ritter on May 27, 1953. After graduation, Dean and Iva Nell moved to Houston where they began their journey of 64 years together. Dean began working in Houston at Peat Marwick Mitchell, a national accounting firm, as a tax accountant to support his young family while he attended the University of Houston at night to obtain his law degree which was received in 1959 along with his law license. During this time of work and attending law school, in 1956 Dean received his Certified Public Accounting certification from the State of Texas. In 1960, after successfully becoming an Attorney and a CPA, Mr. Soape opened his own law practice in Houston. In 1970, he opened his law and tax office in Carthage while also retaining his practice in Houston. He holds two Board Certifications by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Taxation

and in Probate and Estate Planning. He was a member of the State Bar of the State of Texas, the Panola County Bar Association and the College of the State Bar of Texas. He was licensed to practice law in all of the State Courts in Texas, the Federal District Courts, Southern and Eastern Districts and the U.S. Federal Tax Court. He was a licensed Real Estate Broker, a Master Mason of the Houston Lodge No. 1339 and Carthage Lodge No. 521 for over 50 years, served on the Board of Trustees for the Baptist Missionary Association Theological Seminary but dearest to his heart was being ordained as a Deacon at the Southview Baptist Church in Houston and serving as a Deacon and Treasurer at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Carthage.

He is survived by his wife, Iva Nell Ritter Soape; children, Jerry Soape and fiancée Susie Cockrell Parker, Jan Soape Wills, and Judi Soape Henigan and husband Keith; grandchildren, Jeremy Henigan and fiancée Hannah Harris, Ricky Joe Wills and wife Christina, Jessi Soape Lee and husband Coby, Trey Soape and Paige Parker. Great-grandchildren, Riley Jo Wills, Ryder Wills, Stella Lee, Landon LaGrone and Kali Fulsom; and his sister, Kathryn Soape McKellar.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Herman and Hazel Soape; granddaughter, Deana Henigan; and brother, Herman E. Soape

Cemetery Details

Antioch Cemetery

345 CR 405
Carthage, TX 75633

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 26. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel
307 W Wellington St.
Carthage, Tx

Service

JAN 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

Mt. Calvary Baptist Church
1765 US Hwy 59 S
Carthage, TX 75633

Tribute Wall

BE

“ Although I didn't know Mr. G. Dean personally, I felt as though I did...knowing Jerry, Jan, and Judy reflected a great deal of who he was. I love every one of you and I know he must of been proud of you. I've been praying for your precious family.

Becky Shoffner Eubank - February 06, 2018 at 07:04 PM

DR

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Dean's family.
Mary Lou Thompson Dailey



Dianne Dailey Resta - February 02, 2018 at 10:35 PM

JH

“ Jeanette Hart lit a candle in memory of Mr. G. Dean Soape



Jeanette Hart - January 28, 2018 at 03:05 PM

LG

“ My name is Laverne Grant, as a representative of McDonald Lighting & serving his law firm, we became friends. Good friends. Dean was a unique person, always on the go, but always had time for me. We would talk & have fun times. He always love to talk about his church, the Lord, his family, he was an exciting being. I am so sorry to receive this news. Our loss is Heaven's gain. I received so many blessings from being with him & his whole family. My condolences Jan, Judy and ms Soap. Laverne Grant.



Laverne Grant - January 27, 2018 at 09:12 PM

TT

“ We are so very sad to hear of Mr. Dean Soape's passing. He will long be remembered. The loss of a man so widely known and dearly loved and admired will affect many. But none so much as his family. May God comfort your hearts and give you peace.

Terry & Tina Tate and family

Tina Tate - January 27, 2018 at 07:20 PM

EY

“ Evelyn Yount lit a candle in memory of Mr. G. Dean Soape



Evelyn Yount - January 27, 2018 at 06:54 PM

MM

“ Sincerest condolences to Mrs Soape, Jerry, Jan, Judy and the entire family for your loss. He was a wonderful man known to so many. My heart is with all of you during this difficult time. May God comfort you and give you strength. Much love to you all.
Melody and Gayland Moore

Melody Moore - January 27, 2018 at 06:05 PM

VS

“ *Valarie Soape lit a candle in memory of Mr. G. Dean Soape*



Valarie Soape - January 27, 2018 at 02:35 PM

VS

Extending deep and heartfelt sympathy. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Valarie Soape - January 27, 2018 at 02:40 PM

CB

“ *Cyndi Bell lit a candle in memory of Mr. G. Dean Soape*



cyndi bell - January 27, 2018 at 12:42 PM

 Linda Britton

“ *Linda Hunt Britton, Raymon Hunt, and Shannon Hunt offer our deepest sympathy to the family of Dean Soape. God bless each one of you in his loss, now and in the days to come.*

Linda Britton - January 27, 2018 at 12:26 AM

DM

“ *Dearest Mrs. Iva Nell, Jan, Judy and Jerry,*

Mr. Dean was one of the greatest men I've ever had the privilege to know. He epitomized the meaning of friendship between my parents, my brother and me. He was the best of the very, very best and I will love him always. I will forever be in his gratitude for the kindness and support he showed to me.

God bless you all, my precious friends.

*Love,
Donna Dickerson Mueller*

Donna Mueller - January 26, 2018 at 10:09 PM

LC

“ *Lori Adams Cordova sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. G. Dean Soape*



Lori Adams Cordova - January 26, 2018 at 06:07 PM



“ 74 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hawthorn Funeral Home - January 26, 2018 at 05:23 PM



“ *Loved Mr. Soape! Such a cutup and so much fun! I've been thinking about him lately. Sorry to hear this. It's a sad day.*

Lydia Brown - January 26, 2018 at 04:48 PM

KC

“ We are grateful for the ways Dean helped my dad, "uncle Perk" and for his gracious spirit towards our family. My own kids have fond memories of the time all 13 of us spent the weekend! We all had a blast, fishing, paddle boating, and even riding a rented train around the property. Dean loved his family & friends, and they loved him. He will be missed, but never forgotten!

With our love and prayers,

Kathy Soape Covey & family

Isaiah 26:3-4

"The steadfast of mind You will keep in perfect peace, because he trusts in You. Trust in the Lord forever, For in God the Lord, we have an everlasting Rock."

Kathy Covey - January 26, 2018 at 02:03 PM

VF

“ Never a better person, inside and out, than my cherished 'brother' Dean. When I grow up, I want to be just like him. Our loss; Heaven's gain.

Virginia Fuselier - January 26, 2018 at 09:24 AM

PG

“ The family is in our thoughts and prayers.



Phillip and Glenda Grimes - January 26, 2018 at 09:10 AM

DS

“ God bless all of you during this time...So very sorry and hoping that all of you can find a sweet solace in the wonderful memories you share. What a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and friend. Sending prayers of much love...Dawn Dison Smith

Dawn Dison Smith - January 25, 2018 at 07:09 PM