



Willard Hiram Skelton

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CLARENDON SERVICES- 1:00 pm Tuesday July 5, 2005 in the First United Methodist Church in Clarendon with Rev. Terry Tamplen, Pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Odessa, officiating. INTERMENT- Citizens Cemetery

Mr. Skelton was born in Clarendon October 7, 1916. He married Frances Sanford in 1937. He lived in Clarendon all of his life except for two years which he spent in the Navy during World War II. He served terms on the school board, the City Council, the library board, and the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce. he was active in local politics and presided as an election judge for school, county, college and hospital boards for 35 years. He also served many years on the Saints Roost Museum board as a director and also for the Clarendon Country Club. He was a Past Master of Clarendon Masonic Lodge and served as the lodge Secretary for 14 years. He had been a member of the First United Methodist Church since 1926, served as an usher, Sunday School teacher, and was involved in different committees through the church. Mr. Skelton will be remembered by friends throughout the Panhandle having traveled as a salesman for Bennett Printing Company of Dallas for 30 years. He retired in 1983 and enjoyed many great years with friends and family. Survivors include his wife, one son Sanford K. Skelton of Austin, two daughters Paula Odom of Fort Worth and Candace Scarborough of Abilene, 11 grandchildren, and 5 great grandchildren. The family requests memorials be sent to Saints Roost Museum and/or The First United Methodist Church of Clarendon.



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WD

Walter Smith Maynard Of Dimmitt posted:

As a young secretary at First State Bank, Dimmitt, it was my high privilege to see Willard as he made his rounds with Bennetts. He always made all of us feel so special and always told us how much he appreciated the business we gave him. I had grown up in Memphis and we liked to talk about people we knew in common, the Greenes, Branigans, etc. He was a fine man of the highest caliber.

July 5 at 7:00 PM

RP

Ronald & Bonnie Gooch Of Perryton posted:

Francis & Family, We were so sorry to learn of Willard's death. We always admired & considered him an outstanding citizen of clarendon and Donley county. We pray that his memories and God's love will comfort you, during this time of sorrow. Love, Ronald & Bonnie

July 5 at 7:00 PM

DC

David And Kim Dickinson Of Clarendon posted:

Frances- Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Willard will be missed by many. He touched and impacted so many lives with his service to First United Methodist Church, St. Roost Museum, and the community of Clarendon. You and Willard were one of the first people to welcome us to Clarendon and open your hearts to us. Willard was true disciple and we thank God for his life and service. God Bless you.

July 4 at 7:00 PM

LT

Lloyd And Marie Risley Of Amarillo, Texas posted:

To the family, You have every right to be proud of your husband and/or father. He accomplished a lot and was well-loved by all who knew him. He will be missed by all.

July 4 at 7:00 PM

DH

Dale & Elnora Haynes posted:

We thought a lot of him.

July 3 at 7:00 PM



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SC

Sandy Anderberg Of Clarendon posted:

Frances, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You and your family will be in our prayers.

July 3 at 7:00 PM

RT

Rita Owens Of Wellington, Texas posted:

Sketon Family--Willard was a long time friend of mine. He called on me when I was County Tax-Assessor and later at the bank. He was a very special person to me. He was so nice and friendly. My sympathy is with you. Rita Owens Wellington, Texas

July 3 at 7:00 PM

BC

Billie Harris Shaffer Of Clarendon posted:

My condolences. He will be missed.

July 2 at 7:00 PM

BC

Bob Bell Of Clarendon posted:

Frances, Paula, Sandy & Candy, I am sorry for your loss. Willard was a good friend and will be missed. I will have you all in my thoughts and prayers. Bob Bell

July 2 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Willard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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