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Memorial services for Henry O. Gossett, Jr., 93, will be held at First Baptist Church on May 23, 2007, at 10:30 AM with Dr. Tim Watson and Dr. Kenneth Hall officiating. Private interment will be at Grace Hill Cemetery under the direction of Rader Funeral Home of Longview. Mr. Gossett died at home in Longview, Texas on May 20, 2007.

Henry Gossett was born on October 28, 1913, in Fort Worth, Texas to Judge and Mrs. H. O. Gossett. He attended Rice University and graduated from Cumberland University in Tennessee with a law degree. For sixty-five years, he was married to his loving and devoted wife, Margaret Cash Gossett who preceded him in death on July 9, 2000. Together, the Gossetts wrote a song, ?Gee, I Like the Likes of You,? with Margaret writing the lyrics and Henry, the music. This song symbolized their love and commitment to each other. Copies of the sheet music will be passed out at the memorial service.

Surviving family includes two daughters and two son-in-laws, Sally Gossett Barron and her husband, Archie N. Barron of Longview, and Henrietta, ?Yetta,? Gossett Halderman and her husband, Chuck Halderman of Aurora, Colorado. Gossett's grandchildren and their husbands are Sara Flemister Francois and her husband, Chris Francois of Dallas, Texas, and Lisa Covey DeFilippo and her husband, Keith DeFilipo of Scotia, New York. He is also survived by a step-granddaughter, Cindy Barron and Joel Castillo of Longview. He had six great-grandchildren, Collin and Austin Francois, Carmella, Kevin, and Peter DeFilippo and Lucy Castillo. Two nieces, Dorothy Anne Johnson Hyde and Linda Kennedy Rosser, and two nephews, Avis E. Johnson and E. Lee Kennedy, also survive Gossett.

Henry had lived in Longview since 1932 and had practiced law in Gregg County since that time. He and his father were partners in Gossett and Gossett, Attorneys-at-Law. Both he and his father actively practiced law until Henry's father, Judge H. O. Gossett died in 1959. Henry continued a general practice of law with a specialty in oil and gas law until 1970. Deciding to devote his full time to the drilling of oil and gas wells, Henry formed and operated Crown Oil Field Supply,



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Allied Petroleum Service and Gossett Oil Company. Gossett pursued his oil and gas career until he retired as President of Gossett Oil Company in 1999.

Volunteerism, giving back to his community, was very important to Henry. He loved Longview and East Texas was honored to serve in many volunteer roles in local, state and national capacities. One of Gossett's proudest moments was being selected as the first recipient of the Henry O. Gossett, Jr. Community Partner Award from LeTourneau University in 1998. Additionally, he served as president of numerous organizations, including the Texas State Chamber of Commerce, the East Texas Chamber of Commerce, the Gregg County Bar Association, the Rotary Club of Longview, the Gregg County Historical Association, the LeTourneau University President's Advisory Council, the Gregg County Historical Museum, the Longview Civitan Club, and several other organizations. He served also served on the board of directors of East Texas Baptist University and as Vice President of the National Petroleum Association.

Henry loved his Lord and actively served in his church, the First Baptist of Longview. He served as the Chairman of the Board of Deacons and as the Director of the Married Young People's Sunday School Department with his wife, Margaret serving as a teacher for many years. Additionally, Gossett was the Director of the Children's Training Union Department for many years Henry was a visionary leader serving as Chairman of the Future Planning Committee, and later as the Chairman of the Finance Committee for the present Christian Education Building as well as other committees and services. In earlier years, Henry used his artistic gifts to serve his Lord and Savior giving his "Chalk Talks" for church and community groups. Gossett painted many portraits for family and friends and was known for his watercolor and oil landscape paintings.

The Gossett family wishes to express sincere appreciation to Gossett's outstanding caregivers who supported him in the past few years including, Theresa Rojas, Nelma Fielden, Alice Hayes, Pat Harvey, Joanne Garrett, Kathy Gebert, LVN, Carrie Klein, RN and Bonny Flemister, RN, NP.

Honorary pallbearers include: Neill C. Flemister, Jr., Dr. Alvin O. "Bud" Austin, Dr. Wendell Daniels, Dr. Connie Winborn, Mike Fletcher, Phil Brin, Dr. W. D. Northcutt, III, Clyde Woolsey, Tom Landers, Rogers Pope, Sr. and Gene Jordan.



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The family will receive friends at the Rader Funeral Home Chapel on May 22, 2007 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, LeTourneau University, Longview ISD Foundation, and Gregg County Historical Museum, First United Methodist Church of Hallsville, Heartsway Hospice, Longview Rotary Club Foundation or a charity of one's choice.



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Anonymous posted:

Sally and Sara, I wanted you to know how much I love you both and am thinking of you at this time. Henry was a great man with great character. I was fortunate to have known him and understand why he will be so missed.##imported-begin##Melissa Flemister Welch##imported-end##

May 27 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Sally and Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time. Cheryl Walters Parr##imported-begin##Cheryl Parr##imported-end##

May 24 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I had the pleasure of meeting both of the Gossetts and hearing them sing their song together in Longview Easter 1994. I treasure this memory of them together as well as my memories of Sara's grandfather Pappy? there was also a nickname for her grandmother but I can't think of it. Thanks for sharing some of your time on earth with me. I am blessed.##imported-begin##Jigisha Thaker Gor##imported-end##

May 23 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

We love you Sally. Bing and Laci Canion##imported-begin##Bing Canion##imported-end##

May 22 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Sally,I was sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. May the memories you have of him always bring you comfort. I will keep you you in my prayers.##imported-begin##Sharon McAfee##imported-end##

May 22 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Dear Sara,I am sorry to hear about the loss of your grandfather. I will keep you in my prayer and wish you the comfort of his memory.##imported-begin##Sharon McAfee##imported-end##

May 22 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I thank God for the life of Henry O. Gossett, Jr. and for the blessings he shared through his life, and the lives of his children and grandchildren.With love,Alexis Saint##imported-begin##Alexis Saint##imported-end##

May 22 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

We wanted to let you know that you are in our prayers at this time.Henry was a wonderful man and truly cared about Longview and its people.He was a blessing to so many.##imported-begin##Brenda and Michael Liverman##imported-end##

May 22 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Sally & family,My heart goes out to you during this time. I know it is difficult but you have to trust in the many, many memories you shared. My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Rhonda Barnes##imported-end##

May 22 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Sally,Please know that our prayers are with you at this very sad time.##imported-begin##Nell Thomas##imported-end##

May 22 at 7:00 PM



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May 22 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

The world has lost a wonderful man in losing Mr. G. When I worked for Judge Falvey way back when, Mr. G. was right next door. He was one of the finest men I've ever known. He was kind, and gentle and just a good Christian person. He will be greatly missed as he touched the lives of so many throughout his 93 years.##imported-begin##Anita Smith##imported-end##

May 21 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts are with you at this time...sll##imported-begin##David, Stephen & Lou Ellen##imported-end##

May 21 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Sally and all the rest of Mr. Gossett's family I will never forget what a good, kind man Mr. Gossett was. I'll never forget that, about 20 years ago, he and I both had our dogs in the dog-training class at the YMCA. He was a man "after my own heart," because he was an animal lover, like me. Of course, as I said, he was a good, decent Christian man, anyway. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, Sally Shaw##imported-begin##Sally Shaw##imported-end##

May 21 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Sally and Archie, I miss you both very much. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Love, Linda Mobley##imported-begin##Linda Mobley##imported-end##

May 21 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Sally,I was so sorry to hear of your father's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Mary Whitton##imported-end##

May 21 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this sad time. Mr Gossett was such a fine man, outstanding citizen, devoted father and husband. I so enjoyed knowing him at Rotary and have missed his being there. I know how much you will miss him. Linda Ryan Thomas##imported-begin##Linda Ryan Thomas##imported-end##

May 21 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

May God bless and keep you all in his care. You are in our prayers, and may they be ever uplifting in your time of sorrow.Love to the family, Alice M. Hayes and family##imported-begin##Alice Hayes##imported-end##

May 21 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

God bless your family.Tommy & Priscilla Eaker##imported-begin##Tommy Eaker##imported-end##

May 20 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Sally,I was so, so sorry to read about your dad today. Oh I have lost mine and I can only tell you that I am with you in thought and in prayer. I know he was a very, very blessed father to call you daughter and please know that I am praying that God is holding you in the palm of His loving hand and comforting you as His precious little girl. I love you even though I never see you anymore. You are always such a ray of sincere sunshine!##imported-begin##Donna McFarland##imported-end##

May 20 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Sally, I am so sorry for your loss. I liked your Dad very much and I wish he could have lived healthy for longer. I will miss you and him as neighbors. Sincerely, Angela Glover##imported-begin##Angela Glover##imported-end##

May 20 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Thoughts & prayers are for and with all of this dear man's Family. I was blessed to know him & his Bride "way back when"! Precious couple that I dearly loved. Heaven has gained another Angel - someone very dear. I'll always have a mental picture of his Mother & Dad. As far back as I remember, Mrs. Gosett did the driving! Sally, you will always be SPECIAL & I'll always love YOU & treasure Memories of YOU/Yours.##imported-begin##Millie Terry Harper##imported-end##

May 20 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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