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Robert Maurice Woodall

Funeral services for Robert Maurice Woodall, 83, will be Tuesday, April 8, 2008, at 12 noon at Trinity Episcopal Church with the Rev. Kevin Wittmayer and the Rev. Michael Macey officiating. Entombment will follow in the Memory Park Mausoleum under the direction of Rader Funeral Home of Longview. Mr. Woodall passed away Saturday, April 5, 2008.

Bob was born in Bowie, Texas, on November 19, 1924, to B.D. and Hattie America Noel Woodall. He was educated in public schools there and upon graduation attended North Texas Teachers' College in Denton. Shortly thereafter he joined the armed forces during World War II. He was awarded a Purple Heart for his service and returned to his home state at the age of 19. He then continued his education at North Texas Teachers' College where he earned his undergraduate and Master of Education degrees. There he met Betty Lee Moore whom he married on September 1, 1947. His first teaching and coaching position was in Beaumont, Texas, and then in 1950 he moved his young family to Longview, Texas, at the bidding of his former coach and mentor, Swede Dees. Here he and Betty raised three children while he worked in Longview ISD at Foster Jr. High and Forest Part Jr. High as teacher, coach, and assistant principal for 35 years before his retirement. After retiring he often saw his former students and took pride in knowing that he had impacted their lives. He always had stories to tell and never hesitated to share them. Higher education was very important to Bob and he was extremely proud that all of his children and grandchildren earned college degrees.

His retirement years were spent traveling with his wife, including yearly trips to Colorado where they spent their summers fishing and enjoying life. Bob was an avid gardener and fisherman who shared his crops and catch with his many friends. He enjoyed spending time with his large family and many friends who respected and loved him dearly.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Betty Lee Woodall; his son, Robert M. Woodall, Jr., and wife Jetta Moore of Eustis, Florida; his daughters, Brenda Woodall Linton and husband Monnie of Longview, Texas, and Beverly Woodall Cowan and husband Bryan of Cedar Hill, Texas; grandchildren, Kelli Woodall Garcia and husband Justin and their children Logan and Lukas, all



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of Longview, Texas, Traci Woodall Martin and husband Christopher and their children Jana and Caleb, all of Sorrento, Florida, Angela Woodall Mattmiller and husband Aaron of Tallahassee, Florida, Monnie Blake Linton and wife Jennifer of Hallsville, Texas, Robert Burge Linton and wife Kristal of Hallsville, Texas, Clayton Bryan Cowan of Dallas, Texas, and Kathryn Lee Cowan of Lubbock, Texas.

Memorial contributions in honor of Bob Woodall may be sent to Margaret's House in care of Beacon Hill Hospice Foundation, P O Box 5908, Longview, TX 75608, Alzheimer's Alliance of Northeast Texas, Inc., 211 Winchester, Tyler, TX, 75701; or the charity of your choice.

The family will receive friends at Rader Funeral Home, Monday, April 7, 2008, from 5-7 p.m.



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Anonymous posted:

Dear Brenda, Bobby and Beverly - Coach Woodall and Foster Junior High are synonymous in my mind. I can't think of one without thinking of the other. What an impact your dad made on so many of our lives back in 1963! Another favorite memory of your wonderful family....camping and water skiing in the summer of 1966 at Lake of the Pines. It was always evident that Bob Woodall was a devoted father and husband and that his family was number one in his life. In talking with Jetta and Brenda, I know that didn't change as the Woodall family increased in size...what a legacy he has left behind! May each of you find comfort in your memories of your dad, father-in-law and grandfather. With deepest sympathy, Elaine Faircloth Howell

April 22 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Mrs Woodall, Brenda, and family. I am so sorry for the loss of Coach Woodall. He was one of the greatest influences in my life. He taught me so many lessons about life. I will never forget his wisdom which he so eagerly shared with so many. I had full intentions of visiting him while he was at Hawkins Creek. This only proves when you want to see those you love you must act as you never know what tomorrow will bring. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Sincerely, Richard

April 13 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Beverly, my prayers are with you and your family. God will take care of you. If you ever need me, I am just a phone call away.

April 8 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

When Teresa Howell told me about Coach Woodall's passing, I didn't remember who he was; but when I saw the picture I definitely remembered the tall man who walked the halls of FJH. He was special to a lot of us DRAGONS! WE WILL ALL MISS HIM.

April 8 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

##imported-begin##Aaron & Peggy Dykes##imported-end##

April 8 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I just wanted to let you guys know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Chase Carlisle##imported-end##

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Woodall Family,Just wanted you to know that I am thinking of you all. Your dad was a wonderful man to so many people. You are so fortunate to have very special memories of him. Peace be with you, June Bivins Baumoe!##imported-begin##June Bivins Baumoe!##imported-end##

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Woodall Family,As I read the newspaper online today, my heart sank when I saw of Coach Woodall's passing. Yet,at the same time, I found a smile on my face from all of the wonderful memories of him at Foster Jr. High. He was truly a great man who taught by example with love and kindness. He was certainly sent to earth to lead young people! I believe that he was one of the reasons I ended up with a career in education. May God wrap his loving arms around you and give you comfort as you say goodbye to your dear loved one.Ann Forster JenningsLHS Class of 1972##imported-begin##Ann Forster Jennings##imported-end##

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Larry and Donna Courington##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dear Betty and Family,How sadden we are over the death of Coach Woodall!! Your family has been a contributor to Longview for many years. You will continue to be in our thought and prayers.Love, Claire Roberts###imported-begin##Claire Roberts###imported-end##

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our prayers are with you and the family. God bless you all.###imported-begin##Blake & Suzanne Long###imported-end##

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

To the Woodall Family,I was fortunate enough to have attended Foster Jr High in the early 70's and have "Coach" as my principal. I look back upon those days with great reflection and am appreciative in the way that he molded the character of so many young lives throughout the years, especially mine. Well done good and faithful servant. May the Lord keep and comfort you all during this time.###imported-begin##Robert Hudgens###imported-end##

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brenda & Family, We are so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you during this sad time.###imported-begin##Curtis & Susie Blankenship###imported-end##

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

We who had the honor of knowing Coach Woodall will always be better people for having been one of his boys. You knew he cared about you and wanted the best for you while he was busting you with that board of his! He will be missed and remembered by all who had the pleasure of his friendship and guidance.God bless your wonderful family###imported-begin##Tommy Eaker###imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Brenda and family, So sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you. Terri Marshall

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with Bob's family at this very sad time. He was a wonderful man and I know that he will be missed by many. Linda Ryan Thomas

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Betty, Bobby, Brenda, and Beverly, How many truly wonderful memories I have stored of our families together. Your home was always a warm and happy place for a child, and I loved being there. Your father welcomed me and always accepted me no matter what. He was like part of my extended family, and understood what it was like to grow and change. He never judged us, but loved us all, and was ready with a hug no matter how many months or years had passed. I will miss his smile and laugh, but am so glad that he touched me with his grace. I know why my father loved Bob Woodall so much, he was his friend. My love to you all. Janie Dees

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Betty, Bobby, Jetta, Brenda, Monnie, Beverly, ... and all of 'em, I was saddened but not surprised to hear of the Coach's passing. I'm sorry for you but I'm so happy for him. I know he's in a better place now. He was truly one of the "old school" characters, a person who believed in accountability and one who adhered to morals without wearing it on his sleeve with a "holier than thou" tint. I had the privilege of fearing him as a youth and respecting him as an adult, despite his blatant disregard for the rainbow trout fishing limits of the streams and lakes in Colorado the bounty of which he shared with me on more than one occasion. He knew his limits, but he didn't limit himself. May the Coach rest in peace.

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Anonymous posted:

Coach Woodall was my favorite. I have memories of him walking the halls at Foster with his big paddle. He acted tough but he was a sweetie. And cared very much about all of us---class of 73##imported-begin##Suzanne Collier##imported-end##

April 7 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Along with so many others, I have found memories of Coach Woodall during my years at Foster Junior High. We don't have enough good men like him in our schools today.##imported-begin##Blanche Henderson Brick##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I remember fondly playing for Coach Woodall and Coach Farmer in the early 50's. He was someone that you wanted to play well for because you knew that he cared for you as an individual. How we need coaches and teachers like him today. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Rex and Carolyn King##imported-begin##Rex King##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Coach Woodall helped me get a meritbadge in Safety when I was in theBoy Scouts. I always looked up to him even when he swatted me with apaddle for fighting in the lockerroom. Education has lost a fine person but he is with the Lord andmuch better off.##imported-begin##Marvin Curnutt##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

We were just talking about Coach Woodall this past week while talking about the "Good Old Days"! I truly remember him as being honest, fair, no-nonsense when necessary, joking and laughing to pick you up when he knew you would rather be somewhere rather than school and most of all someone you could respect for the rest of your life. I have had the utmost respect for him over the years because he set a great example for us and I have carried it with me all these years. Junior High was a transition period in my life and Coach Woodall is one of the people I looked up to during those days. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family during this time of sadness and loss.##imported-begin##Janie##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Mrs. Woodall, Brenda, Monnie and Family - You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. I pray your beautiful memories of your husband, dad and granddad will make you smile. With love - Linda Walker##imported-begin##Linda Welch Walker##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Woodall Family, as a former student at Foster Jr High, too many years ago to admit, I wanted to express my sincere sympathy at the loss of "Coach" Woodall. I will always remember his smile and character in those hallowed halls. God Bless you all at this time.##imported-begin##Ginger Wan##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

DearBrenda,Monnie, Blake, and Burge,I want you to know how much Phil and I have been thinking about you. We both loved Coach Woodall when we attended Foster. He was loved and respected by everyone.Please know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers. Phil and Sharon##imported-begin##sharon atkins##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Coach Woodall was a terrific guy and such a contributor to students during his career. He guided many of us with a fatherly goodness, a professional watch that you turned OUT a good kid back then, and was SWIFT with a paddle! haha He never got me!! I will always remember what a fine man he was and how he serve the Common Good for all who knew him. I know he is with Christ today, in that New Body that no long hurts or struggles, and I celebrate his life knowing that he lived a good life and helped young people in that dreadful phase of life called "adolescence." "Well, done, my Good and Faithful Servant." --The Bible... Hats Off to a great Coach! Nancy Wheeler Heller, San Antonio, Texas LHS Class of 1972-73 December Graduate###imported-begin##Nancy Wheeler Heller###imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Brenda and Monnie,Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We love you all. Kevin, Susan, Stewart and Alexis Linthicum###imported-begin##Kevin and Susan Linthicum###imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Coach Woodall...a class act...GO DRAGONS !###imported-begin##Dick Weaver###imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Betty and family,My thoughts and prayers are with you. I have so many wonderful memories of working at Forest Park with Mr. Woodall as my boss. He was great!###imported-begin##Carolyn Whitwell###imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

BRENDA AND FAMILY-JUST WANTED YOU ALL TO KNOW WE ARE THINKING OF YOU AND ARE SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.LOVE, DREW AND SHANNON CRAWFORD###imported-begin##SHANNON CRAWFORD###imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

All 5 of the Biggs' children have different, great memories of Coach Woodall. I just remember what a great presence he was every day at Foster Jr. High. I hope God still makes 'em like that....and God Bless you & your family, Mrs. Woodall.##imported-begin##The Biggs': Michael, Joanne, Jeanette, Jackie & Derek##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

I attended Forest Park Middle School from Fall 1978 to Spring 1981. I remember Mr. Woodall well and fondly; he was a good man who cared about his students. I hope that my two sons will have the blessing of strong positive influences like Mr. Woodall in their school careers.##imported-begin##Joe Little##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Beverly and Family:I am so very sorry for your loss. It is so very hard to lose those we love so much. My thoughts and prayers are with you. With deepest sympathy,Beverly Wrysinski##imported-begin##Beverly Wrysinski##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I am a 1973 graduate of Longview High. I remember Coach Woodall when I was in Foster Junior High. My prayers are with you.Pat Moore Applewhite##imported-begin##PAT MOORE APPLEWHITE##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. God Bless.##imported-begin##Tiffani Wade##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

May you feel the comforting presense of the Lord in your time of sorrow. Please know your friends hold you in our hearts and prayers.##imported-begin##Cristi Stewman##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brenda, My thoughts and prayers are with you during this loss. Rick Tryon##imported-begin##Rick Tryon##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Your in our thoughts and prayers. May God Bless you and your family.##imported-begin##Karl Riley##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brenda,I am sorry to hear about your loss - may you be comforted knowing he is in a better place.May God keep you strong during this time.##imported-begin##Lisa Sims##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brenda,I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Kristen Tiemeyer##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.." John 11:25-26 Brenda, your family is in our thoughts and prayers always, may the Lord bless and keep all of you always and may you find peace.. Your father was a wonderful person, caring person who helped many...In Christ,The Warrens##imported-begin##Lara Warren##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

My life was forever changed for the better by my association with Coach Woodall in 1963. I will miss him greatly and hope that you all know how loved and respected he was. I want you all to know that you are in my prayers and the Coach is forever in my heart. Chal##imported-begin##Chal Barnwell##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Clay,We are so sorry for your loss. Your friends and extended family here at PacLease have you and your family in our prayers.##imported-begin##Brandi H and Larry R##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Brenda,My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time of sorrow.Deepest Sympathy,Annette NealMRMC-Houston Office##imported-begin##Annette Neal##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

We would like to express our deepest sympathy to your family at this time.##imported-begin##Dona and Jimmy Adams##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dear Linton Family,I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Julie Post##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

##imported-begin##Gordon Green##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

##imported-begin##Jourdeen Henry##imported-end##

April 6 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our family's prayers are with you. We all thought the world of Coach Woodall and will miss him.##imported-begin##Elmer Reed##imported-end##

April 5 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I remember Mr.Woodall from Forest Park back in the 80's. He truly cared for his students and made a difference. Your entire family is in my prayers.##imported-begin##christi johnson-winters##imported-end##

April 5 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you during this sad time.##imported-begin##Diane McFarland Taylor##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Mr. Woodall made a difference, and was a positive influence for me at Forest Park in the late 70's. More educators should follow his mold.##imported-begin##Michael Gallagher##imported-end##

April 5 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Your family has been in our thoughts all day, and your dad will always be a part of our memories. He was a friend, my teacher, and at one time my boss. I am sorry for your loss and sorry that we can't be there with you.##imported-begin##Don and Sherry Estes##imported-end##

April 5 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

So sorry for your loss. I was searching Longview obituaries looking for an entry for my uncle when I saw Mr. Woodall's name. I have fond memories of Mr. Woodall from my years at Forst Park 1982-1985. I know he made a difference in the lives of many students.##imported-begin##Melanie Stauts Pigg##imported-end##

April 5 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I was so sorry to hear about Bob. You and your family are in our hearts and prayers.##imported-begin##Mary Ann Works##imported-end##

April 5 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

My prayers are with you Betty, Bobby, and family...Coach Woodall was one of favorite teachers EVER, and it was a blessing to know him outside of school...what a guy!!!! I will always remember him and I grieve with you all...Love, Linda Wicker##imported-begin##Linda Wicker Lackey##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

Dear Brenda, Monnie and boys, Lamar and I are truly sorry about your Dad and know he is in a place where he can be whole again. Your family has always been so special to me and you all are in our prayers. Love Lynne##imported-begin##Lynne Simpson##imported-end##

April 5 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May God be with you.##imported-begin##Dee and R.C Judy##imported-end##

April 5 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

We are thinking of your family at this time of loss. Your Dad was a wonderfully caring and funny man but most of all he loved his family and was so proud of each and everyone. May your hearts be filled with precious memories. Our prayers and love go out to the whole family. Sincerely, Steve and Carole##imported-begin##Carole and Steve Judy##imported-end##

April 5 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Im so very sorry for your loss. I remember fondly. You all in my prayers##imported-begin##Connie Cave Daubert##imported-end##

April 4 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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