



John Malcolm Murphy

February 16, 1926 - March 9, 2019

BURLESON - On Saturday, March 9, John Malcolm Murphy, loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, passed away peacefully in Burleson, Texas at the age of 93.

John "Malcolm" Murphy was born in Fort Worth to Johnny and Alta Murphy. He grew up with the love of his life, Laverne Ray, attending the same schools and church on the North Side. They married in 1947 and remained happily married for 72 years.

Malcolm will be remembered for his wisdom and intellect, using them effectively in many leadership roles. His life-long learning began as the 1943 Valedictorian of North Side High School and continued to the University of Texas at Austin, where he was a member of Tau Beta Pi and graduated in 1947 as an electrical engineer. He was immediately hired at what is now Lockheed Martin where he enjoyed a long career as a successful electrical engineer for over 40 years. He was involved in the development of several aerospace projects, including the electronics in the cockpit of the F-16.

Malcolm was also a student of the Bible and loved to study and share through his teaching. He served as Deacon, then Elder to the North Side Church of Christ for over 50 years. Sharing the gospel was his passion and his life exemplified his beliefs.

As a man of many talents, Malcolm will be remembered for his beautiful tenor voice and his love for singing. His expertise and interest in design and building led to many varied projects, such as aerodynamic trailers, carports, playhouses, remodeling, and the design of several homes. When he wasn't designing and creating, he was reading.

Malcolm loved the Hill Country of Texas and enjoyed many years of building a place to enjoy his large family of loved ones.

The family expresses their gratefulness to his care providers: Right at Home, especially to Kelli and Darla; Encompass Home Health; Restoring Function Home Health; especially to

Sharee and Alberto; Encompass Hospice, especially to Cindi, Janet, Doug and Kim; and to Mustang Creek Estates, especially Lacey, Crystal, Christina, Shonekqua, Damien, and Taylor.

Malcolm was preceded in death by his parents, John Pinkney Murphy and Ora Alta Witt Murphy; sister, J. Geraldine Murphy Dillman; brother, James Roland Murphy; and grandson, Joey Walter.

Survivors: Laverne Ray Murphy, wife of 72 years; daughter, Teresa Murphy-Stowers and husband, Kurt; daughter, Becky Larkin and husband, Earl; daughter, Libby Wren and husband, Jim; daughter, Carol Walter and husband, Jim; grandchildren, Alicia Murphy and husband, Matt; Doug Wren and wife, Amelia; Emily Martinez and husband, Roberto; Ali Wren and fiancée, Austin Brown; James Walter and wife, Chelsa; Katie Isbell and husband, Israel; Courtney Stowers LoBello, granddaughter by marriage, and husband, Nick; and great-grandchildren, Larkin, Bennett, Owen, Maggie, Baker, Brooks, Vivienne, Cecilia, and Dominic.

Memorials: In lieu of flowers, please consider gifting to Cherokee Children's Home, Cook Children's Hospital, or Abilene Christian University.

Cemetery

Events

**Greenwood
Mausoleum**
3100 White
Settlement Road
Fort Worth, TX,
76107

MAR Visitation 12:45PM - 01:30PM

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GREENWOOD CHAPEL - Greenwood Funeral Homes and
Cremation, Cemetery, Mausoleum, Florist
3100 White Settlement Road, Fort Worth, TX, US, 76107

MAR Funeral 01:30PM

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Comments



“ I cannot remember a time when I did not know Malcolm and Laverne. Everyone has those especially influential in their lives. For me, at the Northside Church of Christ, Malcolm's leadership, love, music, and personality were crucial to me growing up. For many generations to come, the effect of his Christianity will continue to influence the spread of the gospel around the world, just as he would want. What a blessing to his family!!

Bill Lawrence - March 14 at 11:00 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John Malcolm Murphy.



March 13 at 08:50 PM



“ Although I was a little girl when I knew him, I still have many good memories of him - telling ghost stories, building a play house for his kids, singing, and his laughter! Most of all I remember how much he loved his daughter and beautiful wife. Prayers of healing for this “temporary loss” till we see him again!” Martie (Martha Miller) Noll, San Antonio, Texas

Martie Miller Noll - March 13 at 08:41 AM



“ Malcolm and Laverne have always been so special to Paul and me. He was our bible class teacher at North Side. He and Laverne sang at our wedding, and they had our church shower at their home.

I love you all, God bless and comfort you.

Bennie

Benita Stone - March 13 at 12:04 AM



“ Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket was purchased for the family of John Malcolm Murphy.



March 12 at 04:46 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of John Malcolm Murphy.



March 12 at 12:33 PM



“ Malcolm was one of the finest men I have ever known. He was a true hero. He blessed thousands and the world has been made better and all who knew him have been made richer because of him. He leaves behind a beautiful family and precious memories and the faith that we shall see him again in eternity.

James Vinzant - March 11 at 05:36 PM