



Malcolm Lee Watson Sr.

November 3, 1928 - August 17, 2024

Having served his Lord and Savior for 95 years on Earth, Malcolm Lee Watson, Sr. went to his heavenly home on August 17, 2024. He is now reunited with his wife, Maxine Patrick Watson, with whom he shared 59 precious years. Malcolm was born in Dallas, Texas, on November 3, 1928 to Houston B. Watson and Jewel Trammell. He graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School in 1946. In 1947 Malcolm joined Watson Electric Supply Company, a business newly founded by his father and his uncle, Austin Watson. Malcolm helped manage the family business for over 50 years and became a well-known leader in the electrical distribution industry. He served in many capacities, including president of the Dallas Electric Club, the Greater Dallas Electrical League, and the National Association of Electrical Distributors, which awarded him its honorary life membership in 1998. Malcolm's electrical industry career took a two-year break from 1950-1952 when he served as a US Army radio repairman during the Korean War. He remained a fervent patriot throughout life and often flew large American flags at his home and business. On his Christmas leave in 1951, Malcolm married Maxine, and upon his discharge, they settled in Tyler, Texas, where he managed Watson Electric's branch store. Later they moved to Waco, then back to Dallas for many years before retiring to their lake home in Lindale, Texas. An avid reader, Malcolm always surrounded himself with more books than their home could reasonably hold. Maxine encouraged him to give away as many books as possible, which he enthusiastically did before buying more

to give away! Unknown to many, Malcolm was a skilled cartoon artist. He enjoyed entertaining children with funny drawings. The only thing more important to Malcolm than his family was his relationship with Jesus, whom he accepted as Savior at age twelve. He was ordained as a Baptist deacon in 1954 and taught men's Bible study in local churches wherever he lived, including Hillcrest Baptist Church in Waco, Casa View Baptist Church in Dallas, and First Baptist Church of Lindale. Malcolm enthusiastically shared the Gospel with his words, example, and giving. He participated in countless local revivals and mission endeavors, as well as in international mission trips to England, Ecuador, the Philippines, Malta, Ghana, Costa Rica, and Uganda. Malcolm volunteered with Texas Baptist Men Disaster Relief and served as a board member for Dallas Baptist University, International Commission and the Texas Baptist Missions Foundation. He was a committed prayer warrior, strong supporter of missions and found great joy in serving the Lord in every area of his life. His life was a living example of his faith. Throughout his life, Malcolm always looked forward to gatherings with his large, blended family, all of whom he loved dearly. He will be missed by the many family members he leaves behind: children Beverly Thomas and husband Ken, Malcolm Watson Jr. and wife Cheryl; Cindy Burr and husband David; Patrick Watson and wife Grace; sisters Suzanne Green, Kathleen Tubbesing and husband Jim; sisters-in-law Anita Patrick, Brigitte Watson, Jory Watson; cousin Tony Watson and wife Jane; grandchildren Amanda Moore and husband Jay, Steven Moore, Sarah Biglin and husband Jeff, Phillip Watson and wife Megan, Laura Ballew and husband Jeremy, Rebecca Cullen and husband Travis, Marcy Nanney and husband J.T., Tracy Martin, and Callen Sefcik; great-grandchildren Tatum, Jillian, Allie, Ryan, Kamille, Madison, Tyler, Carter, Jemma, Gracie, Kaleah, Kayla, Luisa, Waylon, Bristol, Sasha, Taylor, Riley, Avery, Cash, Willie and Asher; great-nieces Pendley and Parker as well as many more cousins, nieces and nephews who all enjoyed gathering at Malcolm's country home. Malcolm was preceded in death by his wife, Maxine, both of his parents, brothers Billy Watson and John Watson, and sister Martha Jean Nelson. The

family is extremely grateful to the staff of Sophya's Assisted Living in Mesquite for their loving care in Malcolm's final months.

A Celebration of Life is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 24, 2024 at Casa View Baptist Church in Garland, Texas with, Karl Tingle, Chris Liebrum, and Bill Arnold officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Sylvan Cemetery in Lindale, Texas at 4:00 p.m.

Family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, August 22, 2024 at Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home in Lindale and also from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. prior to the service Saturday. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to Texans on Mission (Disaster Relief).

Cemetery Details

Mt. Sylvan Cemetery

13090 County Road 434
Lindale, TX 75771

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home
206 West South Street
Lindale, TX 75771
(903) 882-3141
jeff@crdfh.com

Visitation

AUG **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Casa View Baptist Church
130 E. E. Interstate 30
Garland, TX 75043

Church Service

AUG **24**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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130 E. E. Interstate 30
Garland, TX 75043

Tribute Wall



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Malcolm Lee Watson Sr..*



August 22, 2024 at 06:19 PM



“ *Sharon and Don planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Malcolm Lee Watson Sr..*

Sharon and Don - August 22, 2024 at 06:19 PM



“ *From Your TBM Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Malcolm Lee Watson Sr..*



From Your TBM Family - August 22, 2024 at 06:18 PM



“ *Malcolm was our friend and neighbor at Hideaway many years. We would also visit him at his country home. Rest in Peace dear friend*
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Joan Margaret Mullen - August 22, 2024 at 09:35 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Malcolm Lee Watson Sr..*



August 22, 2024 at 08:26 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Malcolm Lee Watson Sr..*



August 21, 2024 at 07:35 PM



“ *Your friends at Texas Voices planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Malcolm Lee Watson Sr..*

Your friends at Texas Voices - August 21, 2024 at 07:35 PM



“ *My condolences and prayers to the Watson family. I worked for Watson Electric for a number of years and it felt like family. Malcolm has left behind quite a legacy with his children and grandchildren. He was a true Christian and will be missed.
Jody (Lynn) Mills*

Jody Mills - August 21, 2024 at 05:09 PM

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“ *Mt. Lebanon Staff purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Malcolm Lee Watson Sr..*



Mt. Lebanon Staff - August 21, 2024 at 02:36 PM

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