WILLIAM DOUGLAS HAMM

Mr. William Douglas Hamm, age 74 of Trinidad, Texas, passed away Thursday, January 17, 2008 at Navarro Regional Hospital, Corsicana.

Mr. Hamm was born in Lovelady, Texas on March 30, 1933 to Douglas M. and Alma Blair Hamm. Mr. Hamm attended Lovelady I.S.D. where he graduated with honors and was an outstanding athlete.

Upon graduation he attended Lon Morris College in Jacksonville, Texas where he continued to maintain good grades and was a member of the basketball team which placed 3rd in National Junior College competition. Mr. Hamm completed his college work at Austin College in Sherman, Texas where he graduated with scholastic record and won the prestigious Pat Hooks Basketball Award.

After graduation from Austin College he served two years in the U.S. Army, where he was a tank commander. Mr. Hamm was an educator for 38 years. And ended his career with a 13
year term as Superintendent of Trinidad I.S.D. Education, sports and youngsters were his passion! For many years he was an outstanding leader in Boy Scouts, and received the prestigious Silver Beaver Award. Mr. Hamm coached Little League Baseball, he was director of an Extended Summer Program for community youth.

Mr. Hamm enjoyed working with Methodist Youth Fellowship and served in many capacities in the local Methodist Church. Mr. Hamm served terms on Trinidad City Council and the Economic Development Committee of Trinidad. Mr. Hamm was an enthusiastic member of the Trinidad Sideline Coaches Association.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Patricia Jackson Hamm; son William D. Hamm, Jr. and wife Cathy, of Liberty; daughter Leslie Hamm Parker and husband Roderick, of Trinidad; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; brother Jimmy Hamm and wife Dorothy, of Lovelady; sister Joyce Hamm Barnes, of Devers; and several nieces and nephews who he loved.

Memorial Services for Mr. William Douglas Hamm were held Sunday, January 20, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. at the Trinidad United Methodist Church with minister Jimmy Steele officiating. Interment followed in the Trinidad City Cemetery.

Preceded in death by his parents Douglas M. and Alma Blair Hamm.

Pallbearers were William (Trey) Hamm, Patrick Hamm Parker, Stephen Parker, Anthony Trent Williams, Gary Joshi.

Honorary Pallbearers were Trinidad United Methodist Men.

Tomlinson Funeral Home