

## OBITUARY FOR ROBERT ADDISON REID, DMA

A “Celebration of Life” service for Robert Addison Reid, DMA, (66) of Carthage, Texas will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 30, 2010, at Central Baptist Church with Rev. Steve Jackson officiating. Interment of Ashes will take place prior to the service at 9:00 a.m., Friday, July 30, 2010 at Odd Fellows Cemetery. Family visitation will be Thursday evening from 6–8:00 p.m. at Hawthorn Funeral Home. Dr. Reid died Tuesday, July 20, 2010 in Shreveport, Louisiana.

Dr. Robert Addison Reid was born June 9, 1944, in Gonzales, Texas, to Addison Lumpkin and Margaret Swann Wilson Reid. The youngest of three children, he attended Gonzales schools, graduating from Gonzales High School with the class of 1962. In 1967 Dr. Reid graduated from Baylor University with a BME in instrumental and vocal music. This was followed with a Master of Music Education in 1970. He was awarded a Doctorate of Musical Arts in Choral Music from the University of Texas at Austin in 1983. Robert Reid married Carolyn Smith of Carthage, on June 17, 1967, and the couple recently celebrated 43 years together.

Dr. Reid served numerous churches throughout the state as Minister of Music including First United Methodist Church in Marshall, Memorial Drive Baptist Church in Houston, West Oaks Baptist Church in Alief, and Crestview Baptist Church in Austin. From 1972–1975 Robert Reid served in the two-person music department at Panola College directing all ensembles and working with Myrna Hook. He was Professor of Music (Church Music and Teacher Certification) at Houston Baptist University from 1980–2000. During these years, Dr. Reid taught a variety of music classes, conducted a university choir, served as interim band director, supervised student teachers, and developed a solid church music program. Throughout his years of service, Dr. Reid used his God-given talents as a conductor, composer/arranger, performer, and teacher. He was named composer-in-residence for the Houston Choral Society. In addition, he served for years as a choral judge for two prominent music festival companies. Robert A. Reid was a loving, helpful husband; a nurturing and supportive father; a fun-loving G-Daddy; and a friend to all.

Survivors include Robert Reid’s wife, Carolyn, of Carthage; son Charles R. Reid and wife Julie of Mannheim, Germany; son Randy A. Reid and wife Julie of The Woodlands; grandchildren Maddison and Royce Reid of The Woodlands; and Sam, Leah and Luke Reid of Mannheim, Germany. Robert Reid is survived by sisters Swann Reid of Gonzales, TEXAS, and Carolyn Reid Park and husband Lane of Frisco. Also surviving are his parents-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Smith of Carthage; brother-in-law Robby Smith and wife Joy of Carthage; brother-in-law Jamey Smith and wife Carol of Kingwood; and sister-in-law Elizabeth Yarborough and husband Guy of Gladewater in addition to numerous relatives and a host of friends. Dr. Reid was preceded in death by his parents.

The family requests memorials be made to any of the following organizations which had special places in Dr. Reid's heart: Central Baptist Church Children's Music Program, ([www.centralcarthage.com](http://www.centralcarthage.com)); Panola College Music Program, ([www.panola.edu](http://www.panola.edu)); Project String Power (Beth Brumley, 1128 Oakwood, Carthage, TX 75633) all in Carthage; Shreveport Chamber Singers (Anne Graham, 3502 LaNell Dr., Bossier City, LA, 71112; and Houston Choral Society, *Robert Reid Memorial Fund*, ([www.houstonchoral.org](http://www.houstonchoral.org)) .

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