

JESSE LOUIS “JAY” HENDERSON, JR.

Jesse Louis “J” Henderson, Jr., 65, died March 8, 2006 at his home in Arlington.

Mr. Henderson was born February 12, 1941 in Dallas. He received his BS in Marketing from Texas Tech in 1964, and his MBA from SMU in 1966. He also served in the Navy at this time during the Vietnam War. Jesse began at Exxon Chemical from 1966-1976, division manager in Dallas and Severna Park, Maryland. He transferred to the Southern California plant in 1974. In 1979 he left Exxon and came back to Texas to be closer to home and bought a contract furniture business, Van Zandt-Henderson in the World Trade Center in Dallas.

Mr. Henderson began his ranching career in 1995 thru 2005 with working cattle ranches in Crane and Chico. He raised registered polled and horned herefords for show and sale. He was involved in the Oakridge School in Arlington from 1979 to January 2006. He served on the Board of Regents, Building and grounds committee and Finance Committee, and was an enthusiastic supporter of the school with both his time and money. He was also a Deacon at First Christian Church in Arlington, and an active member of the TV ministry crew. He was a member of the Texas Hereford Association and the American Hereford Association. He was preceded in death by his parents Jesse Louis Sr. and Opal Henderson.

Survivors include his wife of 42 years, Jeanette Henderson of Arlington; son, Mark Henderson and wife Katy of Dallas; sister Nancy Jo Oldham and husband Newland of Chapel Hill, North Carolina; grandchildren, Dylan Bennett Henderson and Dustin Allen Henderson.

Memorial service was March 11 at the First Christian Church in Arlington. Interment was at Moore Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to First Christian Church TV ministry, Edna Gladney Fund and The Oakridge School.

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