

Vinson, Johnny Hampton | 1932-2018

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Johnny Hampton Vinson

Johnny Hampton Vinson, 86, of Fort Worth, died Tuesday, May 29, 2018.

Memorial service is 11:30 a.m. Monday, June 4, in Greenwood Chapel. Internment is at Greenwood Memorial Park.

Visitation is from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Greenwood Funeral Homes in Fort Worth.

Johnny was born Feb. 28, 1932, in Tyler, to Lillian Kathleen (Dawson) and Fenner Melvin Vinson.

Johnny spent his early years in East Texas, where he met and married Eloise Sanders. In 1952, at the request of George Mitchell, the couple moved to Bridgeport and Johnny began his career in the oil and gas business. In 1972, after a 20-year career with Mitchell Energy, drilling wells all over North Texas, he started his own E&P company, Threshold Development in Bridgeport. Soon thereafter he moved his offices to Fort Worth and into the Fort Worth Club Tower where he stayed for 40 years.

Johnny earned numerous accolades, serving as chairman of the board for Arch Petroleum, Inc. (ARCH) from 1988 to 1998. He also became involved in ranching and real estate and created the Rolling V Ranch.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother James Vinson.

He is survived by his wife; daughters Jackie Vinson Scroggins and husband, Randy, and Vicki Vinson Cantwell and husband, Greg; son Johnny Hampton (Bud) Vinson II and wife, Cheryl; 11 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.