



## Roy L. Cordes, Sr.

November 26, 1921 - October 29, 2013

A memorial service for Roy Leon Cordes, Sr., 91, of Sugar Land, Texas will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, November 2, 2013 at First United Methodist Church, 431 Eldridge Road in Sugar Land, Texas.

Roy was born November 26, 1921 in Ellinger, Texas to Hugo Henry and Alma Meyer Cordes. During World War II, he served as a pilot in the U.S. Army Air Corp and received decorations for his service in the CBI and Berlin Airlift. He later went on to retire as Lt. Colonel in the Air Force. Roy was known as a man who served God, his country and his community. He and his wife, Betty were long-time residents of Sugar Land and have seen the growth over the years. Roy was a business man, owning Cordes Cleaners, a washateria and a package store. During the 1960's Roy was elected to City Council and eventually became Mayor from 1972 until 1981. Roy passed away October 29, 2013 at his home in Sugar Land.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Betty Friend Cordes; son, Roy L. Cordes, Jr. and wife, Helen; sister-in-law, Beverly Wappler; special niece, Jill Wappler; along with step grandchildren, step great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

For those wishing, memorial donations may be made in memory of Roy to the charity of choice.

Words of condolence may be left for the Cordes family at [www.davisgreenlaw.com](http://www.davisgreenlaw.com).

# Tribute Wall

MV

“*Mrs. Cordes and Roy Jr., we are so sorry for your loss. May Mr. Cordes rest in peace and enjoy his new journey. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*”

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**Marc & Peggy Van Vliet** - November 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“*Dear Mrs. Cordes and Roy Jr. I just heard of Roy's passing and am so sorry for your loss. As a young man out of Texas A & M, Roy appointed me to the Sugar Land Planning Commission. In looking at what has been created, we should be proud of that Commission and the fore site that Roy had for our community.*”

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**Bruce F. Edwards Jr.** - November 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EH

“*I am so sorry for the loss of your loved one. Mr. and Mrs. Cordes were both such wonderful role models to this city. They passed that on to their son. Thinking of you at this moment, Roy. My prayers are with you.*”

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**Edith Hughes** - November 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SW

“*So sorry to hear of Roy's passing. Many great memories! I know Mom and Dad always looked forward to your visits in Lufkin and your special friendship throughout the years.*”

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**Stephanie Wilson** - November 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Betty and Roy Jr. my thoughts love and prayers be with you. Roy was a beautiful memory of mine from old Sugar Land. Mom and Dad loved you all so much and You are a part of my past with my family I will always cherish....with love, Janie Wheeler. Waddell

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**Janie Wheeler Waddell** - November 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ My deepest sympathy.

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**Sharon K. Wallingford** - November 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Sorry to hear of Roy's passing. He was a fine man.

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**tom blomstrom** - November 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Betty & Roy Jr--condolences on the loss of your spouse and father. was unable to attend the service as I was out of town. Roy was one of the first people I met when I moved to Sugar Land in 1970 and I enjoyed my association with him over the years. He was loved by all who knew him and will be missed. God bless you and all the loved ones.

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**David Blomstrom** - November 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Mrs. Cordes and "Little Roy", our sympathy and prayers go out to you and your family. Our families have been friends for many years."Big Roy" was as fine a gentleman as I have ever known. He will be missed by all who knew him.

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**Travis Gandy** - November 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ I had met Mr.Cordes , thru our Lodge, during his Community Builder Award presentation.As Worshipful Master of Sugarland Lodge 1141, my prayers are with you,and your family.

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**Randy R Whitaker** - November 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ To Betty...I remember you so well from The Methodist Church in Sugar Land and Roy, from our days as classmates at Dulles. You are both part of my wonderful memories. So sorry to hear about Mr. Cordes.  
With the fondest of memories and sympathy, Carol Waldrop,  
Houston, Texas

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**Carol Waldrop** - November 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ Prayers go out to the family. He will be miss a great man.

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**Fred McWilliams** - November 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Roy and Betty, you are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Donna Davis** - November 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ An American hero and true friend who will always be remembered and loved

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**B.I.& Charlotte** - November 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Mr. Cordes was a pillar of his community and to his family. Our sympathy to his wife, his son and to all his family members.*

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**Dianne and Bob Wilson** - November 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *My deepest sympathy to all of Roy's family. He played such an important role in the history of our home town Sugar Land. May God grant you peace and blessings at this time of your grief.*

*Mayme Rachuig Bass*

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**Mayme Bass** - November 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *My sympathy to you and Roy, Jr. I remember so many good times dancing with one of my favorite waltzing partners. I loved you both for making us Wheeler kids feel so special when we were together.*

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**jonellen reber** - October 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *So Sorry to hear of Roy's passing. Will keep the entire Family in our Prayers.*

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**Jack E. Mercer** - October 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Our prayers and love are with you at this time of loss of such a wonderful and special man. His smile and caring personality always made you feel so special. He will be truly missed by many in Sugar Land. God Bless your family today and in the days to come. Love, Scotty*

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**Scotty Bass** - October 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HP

“ *Deepest sympathy. Will always remember the smiling face at the cleaners when I was growing up in Sugar Land.*

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**Helen Pausewang** - October 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ *Aunt Betty and Roy Jr. - our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Kemberly, Keith & Kellie Dean** - October 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WK

“ *Extending much sympathy during this time of sorrow and praying that God will comfort you and give you strength for tomorrow.*

*With Heartfelt Prayers and Sympathy,*

*Walter & Barbie*

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**Walter & Barbie Klahn** - October 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to your family and you.*

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**Jeannie Bain** - October 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM