

MEMORIAL FOR
HILRY HUCKABY, III
PRESENTED AT THE MEMORIAL AND RECOGNITION CEREMONY
HELD IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
OCTOBER 30, 2001
UNDER THE AUSPICES
OF THE
SHREVEPORT BAR ASSOCIATION

Attorney HILRY HUCKABY, III, City Councilman for District A, former Judge, First Judicial District Court, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and long-time civil rights warrior, was born June 27, 1944, in Shreveport, Louisiana and died June 1, 2001 at the age of 56. He was preceded in death by his parents, Nancy Davis Huckaby and Hilry Huckaby, II.


"Huck", as he was affectionately called by his comrades, colleagues, family and friends, was a man who deeply cared about his community, and responded to many requests to speak and supported numerous programs and activities. For his commitment and dedication to his community, he received many honors and recognitions from religious, civic, fraternal, educational, and social organizations on the local, state and national levels.

Councilman Huckaby fought relentlessly to bring about greater representation of all citizens of Shreveport. His efforts date back to the early 1970's when he played a major role in changing Shreveport from a commission form of government to city council districts. He joined forces with others in organizing (B.U.L.L.) Blacks United for Lasting Leadership. Through these efforts minorities enjoy a more equal representation through their District Councilmen today. Also, he worked untiringly with others in voter registration drives.

He was elected to the City Council in 1978 and served three consecutive terms until 1990. In 1992, he was elected as a Caddo Parish District Court Judge. He was reelected on the City Council in 1998 and served until his death. He received his elementary education at Central Free Methodist School, and graduated with honors from Notre Dame High School in 1962. He graduated from Southern University-Baton Rouge in 1966, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science. After receiving his Juris Doctorate Degree from Southern

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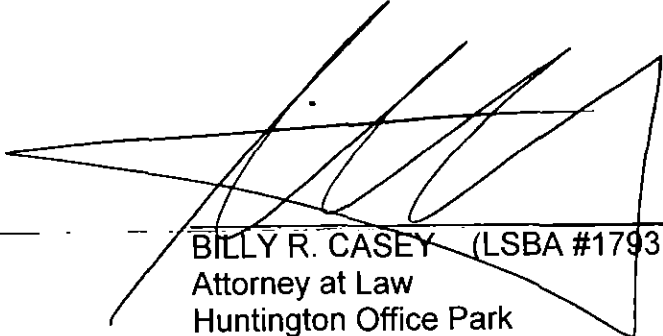
University Law School in 1969, he was employed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) in New Orleans and Washington, D.C.

Following this employment, he began his private practice of law in Shreveport and before all courts in the State of Louisiana and the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. Included among his numerous memberships are: Louisiana State Bar Association, Black Lawyers Association of Sheveport-Bossier, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Louisiana Municipal Black Caucus Association, Prince Hall Mason-33rd Degree, NAACP, Southern University Alumni Association, Southern University Law School Alumni Association, and Lakeside Baptist Church, where he was a member of the Trustee Board.

I could mention the specific attributes of good lawyers and good men, all of which Huck possessed, but those of you who knew him do not need to be reminded of these qualities. His life of devotion to work, to the City of Shreveport, to church, and most importantly to his family is testimony to the fact that he was a lawyer, councilman and a man who will be greatly missed by his wife, Pearl Aaron Huckaby, his children, family, friends and all who knew and loved him.

And now to his widow, Pearl, children, Kimberly, Hilry, IV and Kylaa, other family members, to his host of friends and to this Honorable Court, we submit this brief Memorial to the memory of HILRY HUCKABY, III, and ask that it be inscribed in the records of the First Judicial District Court, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and that certified copies be presented to his family.

Respectfully submitted on this 30th day of October, 2001, Shreveport, Louisiana.



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