

RESOLUTION IN MEMORY
OF W. GENE CARLTON

Walter Gene Carlton, a man of perfect honor, truth and gentleness, left the world at the age of 40; his body was laid to rest on Christmas eve just passed.

Gene was born in Beaumont, Texas, on January 21, 1935, the son of W. A. and Nita Carlton. The family moved while he was still young to New Iberia where he attended elementary and high school.

His father was engaged in the oil business and this inspired Gene to become a petroleum engineer. He attended Louisiana State University where he received a Bachelor's Degree in Petroleum Engineering in 1957. Thereafter, he worked for some five years as a Petroleum Engineer for the Texas Company before deciding that his real field was law.

He resigned his position with the Texas Company and entered Law School at Louisiana State University, from which he was graduated with a Bachelor of Laws degree in 1965. Immediately after his graduation he moved to Shreveport and became a member of the law firm of Shuey, Smith & Carlton, with whom he practiced until his death.

While his firm engaged primarily in oil and gas matters, Gene's particular interest was trial work and he handled a number of matters both civil and criminal which involved novel situations or went to the appellate courts.

Despite a history of heart trouble and living in the shadow of death for a number of years, Gene continued an active life, engaging in sports and outdoor activities, carrying a full load in his law practice and, in addition, serving as an Assistant City Attorney for the City of Shreveport.

He died of a heart attack en route to his office on December 23, 1975.

He was a member of the Louisiana, Shreveport and American Bar Associations, and the Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association. In addition to his membership in the legal associations and the Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity, he was a member of the Phi Epsilon Tau and Tau Beta Phi engineering and mining societies and the American Association of Petroleum Engineers. Gene was an active member of the Downtown Rotary Club, the Elks Club and the East Ridge Country Club.

He was married to Anna Loy Walet, there having been two daughters born of this marriage, Gwen Loy Carlton and Genee Bertel Carlton. He was survived by his wife and daughters and by his mother, Mrs. Marcus Sitton.

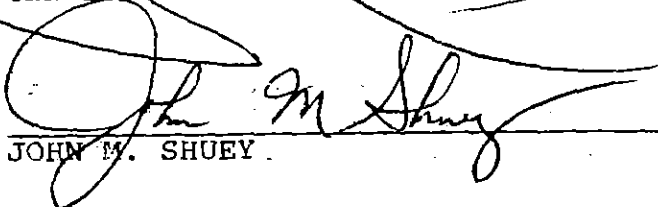
Gene was a man who faced facts squarely; it was impossible for him not to tell the truth as he saw it. He was a man of enormous compassion and maintained the highest principles. He loved his family first and foremost and it was this love and devotion which illuminated his life and enriched his spirit.

Gene passed away at a young age, at a time when he was just beginning his prime as a lawyer. His talents, ability, and personality will be sorely missed by the Bench, Bar, and citizens of this community.


May It Please The Court, the Committee moves that this memorial be spread upon the minutes of this Honorable Court and that copies be delivered to the family.



CHARLES R. LINDSAY, Chairman



JOHN M. SHUEY



I. HENRY SMITH, JR.