MEMORIAL FOR
EDWARD CRAIG HICKMAN
PRESENTED AT THE MEMORIAL AND RECOGNITION CEREMONY
HELD IN THE
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
OCTOBER 21, 2005
UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE
SHREVEPORT BAR ASSOCIATION

Edward Craig Hickman was born on August 13, 1921, and passed away on July 26, 2005.

Eddie, as he was known to his friends, was a life long resident of Shreveport. After graduating from C.

E. Byrd High School, and from New Mexico Military Institute's two year program, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Duke University. After a break for military service, he obtained his law degree from Louisiana State University Law School and was admitted to the Louisiana Bar in 1948.

During World War II, he served in Italy with the United States Air Force, attaining the rank of Captain.

After his return to Shreveport, he joined the law firm of Hargrove, Guyton, Van Hook and Ramey, where he became a partner. Never one to call attention to himself, he represented his clients with a quiet, but dedicated efficiency throughout his legal career. A man of impeccable integrity, he was a gentleman in every sense of the term.

Eddie had many interests and had the enviable opportunity to pursue them. He withdrew from the daily grind of practicing law with the firm, and restricted his law practice to those matters of interest to him. He devoted more attention to his many hobbies. For many years, he was actively engaged in the hobby of photography. He had a dark room at his residence full of equipment and chemicals from which he produced many memorable photographs.

Eddie's insatiable curiosity resulted in his study of many disparate disciplines. The most recent example was only a few weeks before his death, when he was engrossed in a book on the weather from the confines of his hospital bed. Based on this study, he shared his insight of what words to rely upon when trying to determine the reliability of weather forecasts.

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Eddie was the consummate gift buyer, and you were lucky indeed to be on his list. Long before the availability of the Internet, Eddie had a knack for finding unique and interesting presents, which in turn were a reflection of his multi-faceted interests.

Eddie is survived by his wife, Martha Claire Vann Hickman of sixty years. She shared Eddie's life events, including his days as a law student in Baton Rouge. Eddie is also survived by two daughters; Claire Vann Hickman Latch, living in Lafayette and married to Edward Cameron Latch, and Grace Helen Hickman Wood, living in Shreveport and married to John Beecher Wood; a grandson, Randall Craig Latch; two granddaughters, Catherine Claire Cole and Grace Helen Foster; and a great-granddaughter, Mary Grace Foster. He is also survived by his sister, Margaret Hickman Guyton.

On behalf of the Shreveport Bar Association, we submit this memorial to the memory of Edward Craig Hickman, and move that it be inscribed in the permanent records of the First Judicial District Court, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and that appropriate copies be presented to his family.

Respectfully submitted on this 21st day of October, 2005, in Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

Kenneth L. Hickman