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## IN MEMORIAM

ROBERT CLYDE LAWTON, JR.

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December 25, 1933 - January 25, 1985

Robert Clyde Lawton, Jr., was born in Shreveport, Louisiana, on December 25, 1933, the only son of Robert Clyde Lawton, Sr., and Jimmie Hightower. He was a graduate of Bossier High School, but his early education was in the Vivian, Ida area. He attended LSU in Baton Rouge, Centenary College and Louisiana Tech and then studied law under Milton C. Trichel, Jr.. He was admitted to the practice of law in June, 1964 and began his practice in Shreveport until 1968 when he moved to Vivian, where it remained until his untimely death.

Clyde was an industrious, tenacious individual. He fought for what he considered was right, even though it might not be the popular side to be on. He was civic minded and entered into tasks which would help his community.

In Shreveport he was very active in the Jaycees and was one time the head of the Legal Aid Society. In Vivian he was a member of the Kiwanis Club, holding almost every office in the organization. He headed the Town Square Development Committee, and was largely responsible for its success. He was interested in politics and served a term on the Democratic Central Committee.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Vivian.

Clyde was survived by his mother, Mrs. Robert Clyde Lawton, Sr., and five children, namely: Merry Lawton Hancock; Lezlie Lawton Bullard; Linda Karil Lawton; Wesley Bryan Lawton and Virginia Hall Lawton; and one sister, Mrs. J. E. Moncrief of Lafayette. He was predeceased by a son, David Lawton.

During his years of practice Clyde demonstrated his concern for people and their problems. He represented them to the best of his ability, with a desire to help to the utmost. His dedication to the law and a thoroughness in its application was well known. He was an able attorney and a credit to his profession.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this memorial be presented and read at the memorial exercises to be held in the Caddo Parish District Court under the auspices of the Shreveport Bar Association on October 28, 1985, and that it be presented to the Supreme Court of Louisiana at memorial exercises to be held under the auspices of the Louisiana State Bar Association.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be delivered to the members of the immediate family of Robert Clyde Lawton, Jr., as a testimonial of the high esteem and regard held for him by the Shreveport and Louisiana State Bar Association.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

LAWRENCE L. MAY,

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MEMORIAL COMMITTEE