

IN MEMORIAM

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W. THERON ROBERTS

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W. Theron Roberts, a dedicated husband, parent and grandparent, died in Shreveport on March 10, 1999.

Theron was a native of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and a resident of Shreveport since 1932. In 1937 he graduated from Byrd High School, attended Centenary College from 1938 to 1939 and graduated from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge with a B.S. degree in accounting in 1943.

After completing his education in accounting at LSU Theron served with the 76th Infantry in the United States and also served with the 29th Infantry in France during World War II where he received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart. Theron was severely wounded while serving his country and spent one year in recovery and rehabilitation at the Northington General Hospital in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. After recovering from his World War II wounds he entered the practice of accounting in Shreveport, Louisiana, becoming a certified public accountant in 1948 and founded the certified public accounting firm of Roberts, Cherry & Company which continues to this day.

Theron received his legal education at Centenary College by attending night school from 1948 to 1951 and upon completion of his legal education, passed the bar examination and was admitted to the practice of law in the State of Louisiana in 1951. Although Theron throughout his career followed his profession as a certified public accountant, during his lifetime he was an active member of the Shreveport Bar Association and the Louisiana Bar Association.

As a certified public accountant he served in every capacity, treasurer, secretary, vice

president and president of the Shreveport chapter of the Louisiana Certified Public Accountants and served on many committees on the local level. He also served as treasurer, secretary, vice president and president of the Society of Louisiana Public Accountants. As president of the State Board of CPA's, he received the "Distinguished Service Award", the highest award given by the Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants.

He was an active member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church serving nine years as a member of the vestry and also served on its executive committee.

Theron's first love, however, was his wife, Enid Bott, who he married in 1941 and to whom he had been married 57 years at the time of his death. Theron during his lifetime was always very close to his two sons, Ron and Steve, who practiced accounting as certified public accountants with their father and today continue the certified public accountant firm originally organized by Theron. In his later years he became devoted to his seven (7) grandchildren.

A memoriam to Theron would not be complete if you did not mention his avid love for the game of golf. Theron played golf sometimes seven days a week, but at least 4 or 5 days a week until his health prevented him from doing so. My wife, Gwen, and I and other friends made two pilgrimages a year with Theron and Enid to various golf clubs in Louisiana and Texas where the men played golf and the ladies played bridge.

As an individual Theron will always be remembered for his contributions to the Louisiana Society of Certified Public Accountants in Shreveport and elsewhere in the State of Louisiana and as a devoted husband, parent and grandparent.

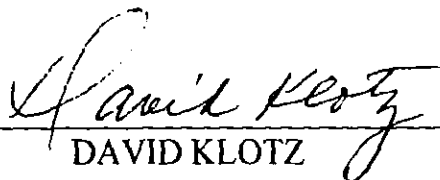
On behalf of the Shreveport Bar Association I am privileged to offer the following resolution:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we of the Shreveport Bar Association, in this memorial, express our admiration and respect to the late W. Theron Roberts, whose

life and conduct exemplified the high standards of the legal profession.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we extend to his family the sympathy of each member of our Association in their loss, and that a copy of this resolution be made a permanent part of the records of the First Judicial District Court and that a copy of this memorial be delivered to the family of the late W. Theron Roberts.

Dated at Shreveport, Louisiana, this 28th day of October, 1999.



DAVID KLOTZ