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ROBERT H. HOPE

Robert Harp Hope was born May 17, 1903 at Bonita in Morehouse Parish, Louisiana. He was the son of Robert Walter Hope and Lula Bell Harp Hope. His parents were possessed of those sturdy and sterling qualities which were reflected in the life and character of their son.

He attended the public schools of Morehouse Parish and was a graduate of Bastrop High School. After graduation from High School he received his pre-legal training at the Louisiana State Normal (now Northwestern State) College at Natchitoches, Louisiana, L. S. U., and the University of Colorado. He then entered the L. S. U. Law School and graduated therefrom in 1926 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

As a student at L. S. U. he achieved distinction in both his classes and campus activities, taking keen interest in the study of law to which he was ardently devoted, as well as the welfare of his fellows.

In addition to several other student organizations to which he belonged, he was a member of the Francois Martin Law Club (the only organization of its kind on the campus at the time), membership in which was based primarily upon scholarship. He was also a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

After graduation from the L. S. U. Law School, he passed creditably an examination and was admitted to the Louisiana Bar on July 2, 1926.

Following his admission to the Bar he engaged in the practice of his profession at Monroe, Louisiana, until the year 1943, when he entered the employ of The Texas Company in New Orleans, where he lived until during the year 1951.

While living in New Orleans he was a member of the Young Mens Business Club and the Petroleum Club.

In 1951 he moved to Shreveport to become associated with the Midstates Oil Corporation as head of the legal staff of that Company in its Shreveport office, in which capacity he was serving at the time of his death on August 16, 1956 while on a visit in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

He was a member of the Shreveport, Louisiana State, and American Bar Associations.

As a lawyer, especially by those associated in the oil and gas industry, with which he was identified during the last thirteen years of his life, he was ranked among the best, particularly in the field of contracts.

He was not only a good lawyer, but a good citizen with a mind of his own and a deep sense of responsibility which would not allow him to suppress his own opinions for any reason, and he always stood for what he believed to be right, even though he stood alone.

He enjoyed the friendship of many people in all walks of life. He was a true Christian gentleman, a devout member of the Methodist Church and of the Masonic fraternity.

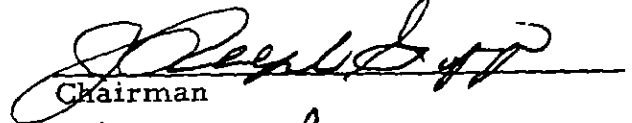
In 1930 he was married to Eva Osborne who survives him. There was born of this marriage one daughter, Mrs. Yvonne Wilson, who also survives him.

In his passing the community, his fellows, the profession and the industry with which he was identified have suffered a distinct loss.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Shreveport Bar Association, that in the passing of Robert Harp Hope, the legal profession of Shreveport has lost a worthy member and that we as a Bar Association express our profound sorrow at his death and extend to his family our deepest sympathy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be filed in the permanent records of the First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and a copy be delivered to his family.

Respectfully submitted,


Chairman

