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RESOLUTION

W. Guice Jr.
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IN MEMORIAM - WILLIAM M. GUICE, 1890-1967

All that was mortal of William M. Guice, well known attorney and citizen of Shreveport and a leader in the Masonic fraternity, passed away on Friday, April 21st, 1967. Mr. Guice was born in Winnsboro, Franklin Parish in 1890, a member of a large family, whose father, the late William M. Guice, Sr., was a prominent planter and citizen of that section.

Mr. Guice was a graduate of Jefferson Military College in Washington, Mississippi. During his boyhood days he was an ardent lover of the great outdoors. He hunted deer in the swamps of the Tensas bottoms and became a fine shot as a bird and large game hunter. During these early days he was also an excellent baseball player and participated in the league of Mississippi river towns including Vicksburg, Tallulah, Lake Providence and other towns along the river.

He belonged to that fast disappearing school of young pioneers. After he finished school, he went west to seek a career on his own and located in Dallas, Texas, and while in Texas he met his wife, the former Miss Willie Lee Mercer; they were married in Texas and they came to Shreveport some fifty years ago where they became an integral part of our city and north Louisiana.

As a citizen Mr. Guice served in various responsible positions. He was a member of the Caddo Parish Selective Service Board during World War Two; was a member of the board of the old Charity Hospital, and he later served as attorney from this parish for the Louisiana State Licensing Bureau.

He was also active in Masonic and church affairs. He was past high priest of the Royal Arch Masons, Shreveport Chapter No. 10; was commander of Ascension Commandery No. 6, Knights Templar; and past master of Joppa Lodge No. 352, F&AM,

Shortly before his death he was honored with a fifty year membership certificate in the Masonic Grand Lodge of Louisiana. He was buried with high honors by the Masonic order to which he was fully entitled, his funeral services also being conducted by Dr. J. Frank Alexander, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of which church Mr. Guice had been a member for many years, having served as a member of its official board.

He was a successful attorney specializing in tax work; he was successful in business and at the time of his death was president and counsel for Travis-Peak Royalty Company.

Mr. Guice was a man of high character and had been lauded by his co-workers and by federal tax officials for his courteous, conscientious and helpful advices to his clients.

"Bill" as his friends knew him, was modest and unassuming and was tireless in his work and efforts not only in his business and professional career, but was likewise most generous in often rendering aid and help to others.

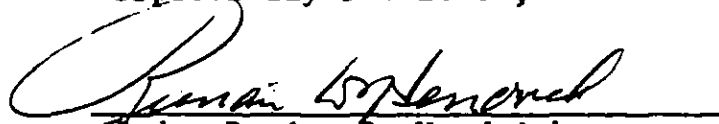
He was devoted to his family and, at the time of his death was survived by his widow and two daughters, Mrs. William R. McCook, Tupelo, Mississippi and Mrs. Otto P. Rice, Richardson, Texas; and one son, Wilton M. Guice of Shreveport, and five grandchildren; also by the following brothers and sisters of Shreveport, Mrs. Hazel Guice Loyd, Mrs. Ouida Guice Harris and Mr. James Abner Guice; and of Winnsboro, Louisiana, Mr. Heyward Guice,
Mr. Malcolm L. Guice/and Miss Rebecca M. Guice. To these members of the family, this association extends its sincerest condolences in their great loss.

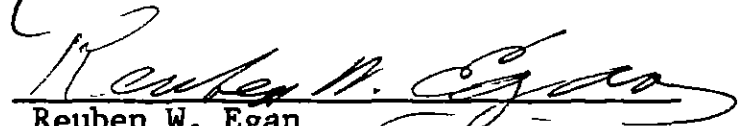
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that in the death of our brother member of the Shreveport Bar Association, this, the Shreveport Bar Association this day assembled, will greatly miss his presence and talents and his friendship and we extend to his family our most heartfelt sympathy; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the passing and in memory of our deceased brother member and our loss to the legal profession, we renew our dedicated efforts to sustain the high standards as set forth by our brother attorney who has gone before us.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be recorded in the permanent records of this association and that an order of this court be requested that same be inscribed upon the minutes of the First District Court of Louisiana and copies hereof be sent to the immediate family of our late fellow member, William M. Guice.

Respectfully submitted,


Judge Ruvian D. Hendrick


Reuben W. Egan


Percy N. Browne, Chairman
Resolution Committee