

John Richard

Plake, Jr.

March 8, 1920 - October 30, 2017

Celebrating the Life of
John Richard Plake, Jr.
Saturday, November 4, 2017 9:30 a.m.
Broussard's Chapel
Beaumont, Texas



Welcome
Clyde Dechert

Opening Prayer
Clyde Dechert

Eulogy
Clyde Dechert

Sharing Stories

"I'll Fly Away"
"This World is Not My Home"
Led by the Grandchildren

Sermon
Pastor Randy Feldschau

Prayer
Pastor Randy Feldschau

"Mansion Over the Hilltop"

Final Goodbye

I'll Fly Away

Some glad morning when this life is over
I'll fly away
To that home on God's celestial shore
I'll fly away

I'll fly away, oh glory
I'll fly away in the morning
When I die, Hallelujah by and by
I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have gone
I'll fly away
Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly
I'll fly away

I'll fly away, oh glory
I'll fly away in the morning
When I die, Hallelujah by and by
I'll fly away

Just a few more weary days and then
I'll fly away
To a land where joys will never end
I'll fly away

I'll fly away, oh glory
I'll fly away in the morning
When I die, Hallelujah by and by
I'll fly away
I'll fly away

This World Is Not My Home

Jim Reeves

This world is not my home I'm just a passing through
My treasures are laid up somewhere beyond the blue
The angels beckon me from heaven's open door
And I can't feel at home in this world anymore

Oh lord you know I have no friend like you
If heaven's not my home then lord what will I do
The angels beckon me from heaven's open door
And I can't feel at home in this world anymore

Just over in gloryland
We'll live eternally
The saints on every hand are shouting victory
Their songs of sweetest praise
Drift back from heaven's shore
And I can't feel at home In this world anymore

Oh lord, you know I have no friend like you
If heaven's not my home Then lord what will I do
The angels beckon me From heaven's open door
And I can't feel at home In this world anymore

Mansion Over The Hilltop

I'm satisfied with just a cottage below
A little silver and a little gold
But in that city where the ransomed will shine
I want a gold one that's silver lined

I've got a mansion just over the hilltop
In that bright land where we'll never grow old
And some day yonder we will never more wander
But walk on streets that are purest gold

Don't think me poor or deserted or lonely
I'm not discouraged I'm heaven bound
I'm but a pilgrim in search of the city
I want a mansion, a harp and a crown

I've got a mansion just over the hilltop
In that bright land where we'll never grow old
And some day yonder we will never more wander
But walk on streets that are purest gold



John Richard Plake, Jr., 97, of Lumberton, graduated to his Heavenly reward on Monday, October 30, 2017, while at Harbor Hospice House in Beaumont, Texas. He was born on March 7, 1920 in Buna, Texas, to Mary “Molly” Dryden Plake and John Richard Plake Sr.

Survivors include his son, John R. Plake III and his wife, Sherry, of Lumberton; daughter, Anna Dechert and her husband, Clyde, of Silt, Colorado; and Karla Buffalow and her husband, Don,

of Lumberton; sister, Emogene Stanley of Kirbyville; grandchildren, John R. Plake IV and his wife, Angela; Alese Deckard and her husband, Donnie; Amanda Davis and her husband, Mike; Stephanie Keller and her husband, Ron; Kirk Dechert and his wife, Torry; Kami Huyse and her husband, Luc; and Shea Watson and his wife, Michelle; Tricia Morgan and her husband, Stephen; great-grandchildren, Emilea Alonso and her husband, Hector; Rebekah Addison and her husband, Kody; Ana Plake; Mia Plake; Callie Deckard; Ryanne Deckard; Jodi Deckard; Madeline Dechert; Vivienne Dechert; Matthew Keller, Andrena Keller; Kyler Huyse; Chloe Huyse; Logan Huyse; Judah Davis; Jasmine Davis; Eli Morgan and Jordan Morgan; great-great-grandchildren, Joaly Alonso; Naomi Alonso; and Hector Alonso, Jr.

He is preceded in death by his wife Audery Mae Senn Plake, his parents, and five siblings.

In 1925, John Jr. moved from Buna to Beaumont with his family and attended South Park Schools, graduating from South Park High. He met and married the love of his life, Audery Mae Senn, on September 2, 1941. John worked with his dad at J.R. Plake House Moving and, when his father passed in 1954, took over the family business. After several years, John renamed the business J.R. Plake Incorporated and partnered with Leon Plake and Claude Whitmire.

John and Audery enjoyed the elk and deer hunting of Colorado and wanted to move there. So, in 1964, John sold J.R. Plake Incorporated to Leon and Claude and moved to Cortez, Colorado with his wife and their

daughter Karla. In Colorado, they enjoyed many more hunts and he was an avid trout fisherman.

After 18 years, John and Audery returned to Beaumont. John continued working in construction, additionally enjoying wood work, gardening, fishing, and hunting. He retired from construction after a second heart attack.

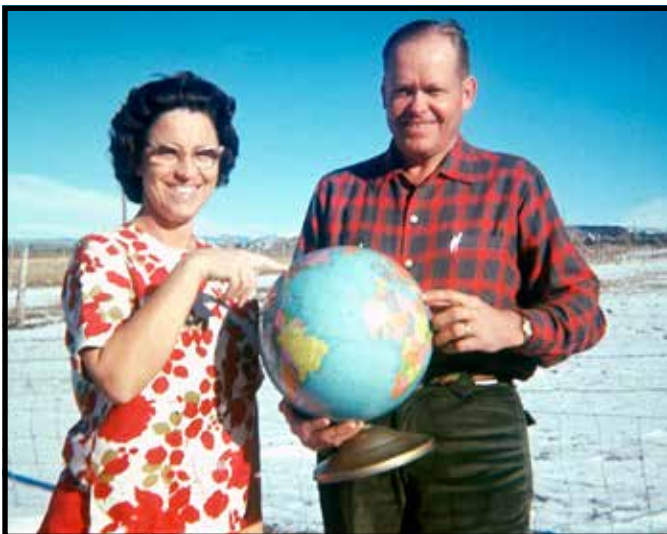
John accepted Jesus as his savior at the age of 14, thus beginning his faith history. A short time later, He was filled with the Holy Spirit, continuing to grow in the Lord all his life. He and Audery raised their children in a home emulated with God's love. He attended and served, often in leadership, as an active member of several full gospel churches and supported his pastors and the church. While in Beaumont and until his passing, he belonged to Cathedral in the Pines. Over the years, spiritually and professionally, John inspired both those close to him and those he only met briefly.

The family especially thanks Cristy Joy Del Resorio, his personal Angel, and all who gave special care to him, including Cristus St. Elizabeth, Jefferson Rehab, and Harbor Hospice House.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to your favorite mission project.





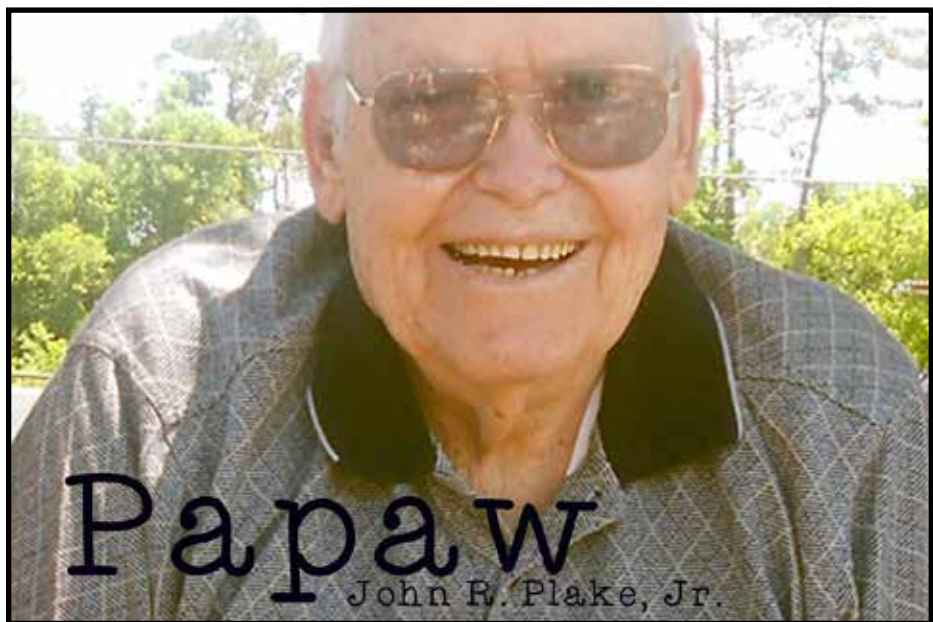














Graveside Service

Saturday, November 4, 2017 12:00 p.m.

Morse Cemetery

Buna, Texas

Pallbearers

John "Ricky" Plake IV

Shea Watson

Kirk Dechert

Mike Davis

Donnie Deckard

Luc Huyse

Honorary Pallbearers

Matthew Keller

Judah Davis

Kyler Huyse

Logan Huyse

Eli Morgan

Kody Addison

Hector Alonso

Stephen Morgan

Hector Alonso, Jr.



Please sign Mr. Plake's guest book and share your memories at
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