



Rev. Charles Lewis Knight

February 9, 1937 - June 27, 2010

Rev. Charles Lewis Knight, 73, faithful servant of God, pastor, husband, father and friend, slipped from this earthly life to life eternal on June 27, 2010. Charles Lewis Knight was born February 9, 1937 in Teague, Texas, the son of the late Charles Melvin Knight and the late Mattie Katherin Callaway Knight. As a young boy, his family moved to Houston where he grew up graduating from Aldine High School. He wrote "Red's Corner" the sports section for the school paper. After graduation, he would serve one term of service in the U. S. Coast Guard and would marry Joan Laverne Denmon. Together, they would have two sons, Marvin Eugene and Charles Craig. Rev. Knight would receive the Holy Ghost in 1963 at Irvington Pentecostal Church, under the pastorate of Rev. C. L. Dees. He would attend Texas Bible College in Houston in preparation after the calling to the ministry. Shortly after, he would lose his wife Joan, who died after an extended illness. In March of 1972 he would marry Mary Ferguson of Alexandria, LA. In 1983 they would move to Huffman, TX where he became the Assistant Pastor. In November of 1988, he assumed the pastorate of the United Pentecostal Church in Copperas Cove, and would continue there until becoming Senior Pastor in 2007. As pastor of a military church, he has many friends all over the United States and overseas. He called friends "a great treasure." Rev. Knight was currently a member of the Ministerial Alliance of Copperas Cove, and member of the Board for the Cove House. He also served 5 years as the Texas District Foreign Missions Director and was currently serving as District

Stewardship Director for Texas District with United Pentecostal Church International. He was also the Presbyterian of Section 8, serving on the U.P.C.I. Texas District Board for the last 7 and 1/2 years. In Houston he was an avid handball player and enjoyed hunting. After moving to Copperas Cove, he couldn't find any handball players and had to change to the "sissy" game of racquet ball, which he enjoyed playing with other local pastors, gaining valuable personal friendships. Being very competitive, he always challenged his partner, "no give up shots." He is survived by his wife, Mary Ferguson Knight of Kempner; sons, Marvin Knight and his wife Margaret of Spendor, Texas, Charles Knight of Killeen, Texas; grandchildren, whom he referred to as "great" with emphasis on great; Lindsay Ballard, Jennifer Knight, Ginger Knight, Jalynn Knight, Michael Knight; brother, James Knight and his wife Carolyn of Houston, Texas; sister, Laura Wiggins and her husband Marcus of Conroe, Texas, nieces and nephews. Pallbearers: Norris Dorsey, Willie Pierce, Robert Hagmann, David Hillman, Michael Knight, Bradley Ballard, Junior Cuevas, Samuel Cuevas, David Hurst, Earl Stone, Marvin Currie. Honorary pallbearers will be members of the Texas District Board. Special recognition and heartfelt thanks to Pastor Donnie Hendrick, his beautiful wife and the Copperas Cove church family for all the love, concern, prayers and gifts during these last several months. Also to a wonderful friend, Rebecca Cuevas, who has been with the family during the hospice time at home. If friends desire, the family kindly request donations to United Pentecostal Church Charles Knight Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 77, Kempner, TX, 76539. All the praises should be given to the Savior, for He's the one who picked me up when I was down all the way. And all the praises should be given to the Savior, for He's the one who makes me what I am today." Visitation: 10 to 11:30 Wednesday, June 30, 2010 at Copperas Cove United Pentecostal Church where funeral services will be conducted at 11:30. Additional visitation will be from 10 until 11:30 Thursday, July 1, 2010 at Caney Creek United Pentecostal Church, 16613 FM 1485, Conroe, Texas. Graveside service: 12 Noon, July 1 at Brookside Memorial Gardens, 13401 Eastex Freeway,

Houston, Texas.