

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to  
2 a close with the passing of U.S. Army Command Sergeant Major (Ret.)  
3 Lloyd Coley of Belton on August 28, 2023, at the age of 69; and

4           WHEREAS, The son of William E. Coley Sr. and Laura Lee Coley,  
5 Lloyd Coley was born in Richmond, Virginia, on June 19, 1954; he  
6 grew up with the companionship of eight siblings, Barbara, Essie,  
7 William, Spencer, Sylvia, Gwendolyn, Sheila, and Lavette; and

8           WHEREAS, Mr. Coley enlisted in the United States Army in July  
9 1972, and his distinguished military career ultimately spanned  
10 three decades; he rose to the rank of command sergeant major and was  
11 awarded the Legion of Merit in recognition of his exemplary service  
12 to his nation; and

13           WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Coley enjoyed the love and  
14 support of his wife, Brenda, with whom he shared a rewarding  
15 marriage of 47 years; he was the devoted father of two children,  
16 Ebonie and Justin, and he also experienced the joy of welcoming two  
17 grandchildren into his family; a man of faith who was guided by a  
18 strong moral compass, he attended Cornerstone Baptist Church, where  
19 he was ordained as a deacon and was unanimously selected to serve as  
20 deacon chairman; and

21           WHEREAS, Although Lloyd Coley is deeply missed, memories of  
22 his integrity, his strength of character, and his devotion to his  
23 family and his country remain to comfort and inspire those he leaves  
24 behind; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
2 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of  
3 U.S. Army Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Lloyd Coley and extend  
4 deepest condolences to the members of his family: to his wife,  
5 Brenda Coley; to his daughter, Ebonie Bain, and her husband, Nigel;  
6 to his son, Justin "Jay" Coley, and his wife, Kristy; to his  
7 grandsons, Justin and Jason; to his brothers, William E. Coley Jr.  
8 and his wife, Brenda, and Spencer Coley and his wife, Patricia; to  
9 his sisters, Sylvia Coley, Gwendolyn Coley, Sheila Green and her  
10 husband, Irvin, and Lavette Branch; and to his other relatives and  
11 many friends; and, be it further

12           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lloyd  
15 Coley.

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H.R. No. 44

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 44 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on November 1, 2023.

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Chief Clerk of the House