

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 830

In Memory
of
Charles Thomas Russell III

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Charles Thomas Russell III, who died April 6, 2005, at the age of 72; and

WHEREAS, Born in Georgetown on January 12, 1933, to Charles Thomas Russell, Jr., and Mary Birch Russell, Charlie served in the United States Army at Fort Hood; he began his professional career as a police officer in Georgetown; and

WHEREAS, After serving with the Georgetown Police Department, Charlie joined the Texas Department of Public Safety, where, except for a period of a few years as a deputy at the Travis County Sheriff's Department, he was to remain until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, After becoming a sergeant, Charlie was assigned to the executive security detail at the Capitol, where he served during the terms of Governors John Connally, Preston Smith, Dolph Briscoe, William P. Clements, Mark White, and Ann Richards; and

WHEREAS, Charlie retired after 35 years with the Texas Department of Public Safety, during which time he had earned a master peace officer certification and a special Texas Ranger certification; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and compassion, Charlie Russell gave generously of himself to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, A devoted husband and father, he leaves behind memories that will be cherished forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Charles Thomas Russell III: his beloved wife of 50 years, Bonnie Guthrie Russell; his son, Charles Ray Russell; his daughters, Ramona and Donna Russell; his brother Jack Russell; his brothers and sisters-in-law, Jimmy and Marsha Russell and Mark and Janis Russell; his sister and brother-in-law, Charlsie and Harold Moore; and his many nieces and nephews; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of the Russell family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Charles Thomas Russell III.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 9, 2005, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate