

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 117

In Memory
of
Ira Elmer Black Jr.

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Houston in mourning the loss of Ira Elmer Black Jr., who died June 5, 2017, at the age of 85; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Black was a respected member of the community who enriched the lives of others with his wisdom, his generosity, and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; and

WHEREAS, Ira E. Black Jr. was born to Ira E. Black and Ora Elizabeth Marshall on June 13, 1931, in Cedar Creek, Texas; he joined the United States Air Force in 1952, and over the course of his distinguished career, he was stationed in New York, California, Nebraska, and Texas; he served with distinction in both Vietnam and South Korea, and he retired from the military in 1972 after 20 years of honorable service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Black was a loving father, grandfather, and great-grandfather who found joy in spending time with his many friends and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Ira Black was a man of strength and courage; he was devoted to his family and to his friends, and he leaves behind memories that will long be cherished by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Ira Elmer Black Jr.; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his 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 Ira Black.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on August 10, 2017, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate