

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 255

In Memory
of
James Burns

WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the passing of James Rondal Burns of Pittsburg on February 3, 2025, at the age of 83; and

WHEREAS, The son of Oscar and Mary Sue Lainey Burns, James Burns was born in Pittsburg on April 1, 1941; he grew up with the companionship of his siblings, and he graduated from Pittsburg High School in 1960; answering his nation's call to duty, he served for three years as a member of the Army National Guard; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Burns distinguished himself over the course of a successful career as a business owner; moreover, he was a prominent member of the Thoroughbred Racehorse Association; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Burns enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Sue, with whom he shared a rewarding marriage that spanned more than three decades; he was the devoted father of six children, Kim, Kendal, Kyle, Dwaina, David, and Daniel, and he took great pride in his 17 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Although James Burns will be deeply missed, he has left his loved ones with a wealth of memories that they will forever treasure; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the memory of James Rondal Burns and extend heartfelt condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, Sue Burns; to his children, Kim Pilgrim and her husband, Mark, Kendal Burns and his wife, BuLinda, Kyle Burns and his wife, Tina, Dwaina Kerr and her husband, Dave, David

McClure and his wife, Terri, and Daniel McClure and his wife, Niki; to his grandchildren, Clayton, Blevin, Bryce, Kole, Taylor, Brittany, Reid, Logan, Jessica, Garrett, Cristy, Drew, Adam, Emily, Ian, Morgan, and Cade; to his great-grandchildren, Caroline, Wyatt, Brayson, Braylee, Ashton, Beckham, Ainsley, Emerson, Beaux, Lawson, Rory, and Parker; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of James Burns.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 13, 2025, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate