

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 696

In Memory
of
C. D. Tedford

WHEREAS, The life of a respected religious leader drew to a close with the passing of Pastor C. D. Tedford of Brownsboro on December 10, 2023, at the age of 88; and

WHEREAS, The son of John Ennis Tedford and Sara Louise Ray Tedford, Carlos Dwain Tedford was born in Opelika on July 13, 1935; he grew up with the companionship of four brothers, W. J., Wendell, Gena, and Albert; and

WHEREAS, Brother Tedford served as a pastor in the Assemblies of God denomination for more than 25 years, leading congregations at several locations, including Zion Hill, Mankin, Lavon, and Chandler; he was also employed at Loggins Meat Company in Tyler for five years; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Pastor Tedford benefited from the love and support of his wife, Billie June, with whom he shared a fulfilling union that spanned seven decades; he took great pride in his two sons, Larry and David, and with the passing years, his treasured family grew to include 5 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; in his spare time, he enjoyed reading and riding his four-wheeler; and

WHEREAS, Renowned for his honesty and his deep concern for others, C. D. Tedford lived a rich and purposeful life centered around his faith and his family, and he will long be remembered with deep affection by all those who had the good fortune to know him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Pastor C. D.

Tedford and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Billie June Tedford; to his sons, Larry Tedford and his wife, Olivia, and David Tedford; to his brother, Albert Don Tedford, and his wife, Becky; to his grandchildren, Katie Williams, Drew Tedford, Lauren Rinehart, Karli Hetherington, and Madison Bragdon; to his great-grandchildren, Cameron and Cole Williams, Alvin, Oliver, and Henry Hetherington, Jack and Mary Tedford, and Elizabeth, Eli, and Beau Rinehart; 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 C. D. Tedford.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 1, 2025, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate