

The Tom Witten Endowed Scholarship

Tommie Lee Witten of Plainview, Texas, was born on December 23, 1909, at Sanger, Texas, the son of Ernest F. and Mattie Maddox Witten. The family moved to Grayson County when Tom was 18 months old, then moved to Running Water Community near Edmonson in 1929.

Tom was married August 16, 1940, in Crowell, Texas, to Lucille Smith. They have two children, Mrs. Harlan (Sue) Carson and Mrs. Charles T. (Tommy Claudene) Burrus.

Tom was converted and baptized in 1929 into the Running Water Baptist Church. He was ordained as a deacon in Valley View Church in the early 1950s where he served in every volunteer leadership position through the years.

He was faithful in attendance and service. He was an effective Christian witness, leading numerous friends to Jesus, both the young and not so young. He practiced Christian sympathy in caring for family, loved ones, neighbors, friends, and even the