

Obituary: Anson Rainey Nash

December 18, 2023

Anson Rainey Nash Jr., school administrator and longtime executive director of Corpus Christi Area Baptist Association, died Dec. 11. He was 83. He was born Sept. 11, 1940, to Anson Rainey Nash and Clara May Nash in Wharton and grew up in Eagle Lake. He graduated from the University of Corpus Christi and Texas A&I University in Kingsville. He was a classroom teacher in the Corpus Christi Independent School District six and a half years before becoming a school principal. He was



asked to start the Chula Vista Academy of Fine Arts and became the school's first principal in 1977. He served as music minister, youth director or associate pastor for several churches, including Padre Island Baptist Church and Lexington Baptist Church. He was executive director of Corpus Christi Area Baptist Association for 15 years. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Linda Nash; daughter Rhonda Tumlinson and husband Gary of Corpus Christi; grandson Kaiser Creek of Corpus Christi; and sisters Mary Stoddard of Frisco and Claire McNair of McKinney. Memorial gifts can be made to Sammy Tippit Ministries, P.O. Box 700368, San Antonio, TX 78270 or to Stark College and Seminary, 7000 Ocean Drive Corpus Christi, TX 78412.