

# Obituary: Carl Wrotenbery

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**Carl R. Wrotenbery**, dean emeritus of libraries at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, died June 19 in Fort Worth. He was 86. Wrotenbery was born in Mount Pleasant to P.H. and Gertrude Cates Wrotenbery and attended public school in Tyler. He earned his undergraduate degree from Baylor University, a master's degree in library science from the University of Texas at Austin and a master's degree and doctorate in theology from Southwestern Seminary. He was named a distinguished fellow and professor of theology and library science at B.H. Carroll Theological Institute in 2006. Previously, he was professor and dean of libraries at Southwestern Seminary and director of the library at the University of Corpus Christi. He was a member of Agape Baptist Church in Fort Worth. Wrotenbery was an avid woodworker who showed his work at craft shows and sold numerous pieces. He was preceded in death by a son, R. Alan Wrotenbery. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Julia Winn Wrotenbery; his daughter, Martha Runnels; three granddaughters; a brother; and numerous nieces and nephews.