

Obituary: Dale Gore

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Dale Lee Gore of Grand Prairie, former pastor and associational director of missions, died Jan. 18. He was 83. Gore was born Aug. 22, 1934, to Leola and Basil Gore in Corpus Christi, where he grew up and graduated from Roy Miller High School. At Howard Payne College in Brownwood, where he earned his undergraduate degree, he was editor of the school newspaper and was involved in the Life Service and Missions organizations. He also met and married his wife of 63 years, LaVerne Dennis Gore, at Howard Payne. He served as minister of music at churches in Uvalde, Hillsboro and Brownwood. After his graduation from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, he was pastor of Baggett Creek Baptist Church in Comanche County, First Baptist Church in Whitewright, First Baptist Church in Goldthwaite, Trinity Baptist Church in Sherman and First Baptist Church in Denison. He was director of missions for Grayson and Austin Baptist associations. After retiring from associational missions, he served Elm Grove Baptist Church in Belton as pastor. He served on the Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board, the Texas Baptist Children's Home board and the Howard Payne University board of trustees. He received the Distinguished Alumni Award from Howard Payne in 1988. He was preceded in death by two infant children, Bob David and Melinda Lee, and a brother, Don Gore. He is survived by his wife; two sons, Dennis and his wife Bobette of Grand Prairie and Jeffrey and his wife Donna of Coleman; daughter Jane Cluck and her husband Marty of Dallas; nine grandchildren; four great-grandsons; and two sisters, Sue Ann Roesing of Waco and Janice Thomas of Austin.

