

Obituary: Marvin Knox

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Marvin Knox, a Baptist pastor who served churches in Texas and Oklahoma more than six decades, died Jan. 16 in Marlow, Okla. He was 88. He was born May 11, 1933, in Canadian to John W. Knox and Imogene Dunsworth Knox. He grew up in Borger, then a Texas Panhandle petroleum boomtown, where he graduated from Borger High School in 1952. He married the love of his life, Margaret Moore Knox, Aug. 20, 1954, in Higgins. He earned a degree from Wayland Baptist University in Plainview and attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth. He accepted his first pastorate in 1957 and followed that calling until he retired in 2019. His pastorates in Texas included Keeler Baptist Church in Borger, Lincoln Street Baptist Church in Dalhart, Key Heights Baptist Church in Perryton and Southside Baptist Church in Wichita Falls. He served on the Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board and the board of directors of the Oklahoma Baptist Foundation. Beyond the pastorate, his most memorable feat was donating a kidney to his daughter Martha Knox Scott in 1994. At 61, he was the oldest living organ donor in the history of Parkland Hospital in Dallas. His donation extended her life by more than 14 years; she died April 26, 2009. He also was preceded in death by his twin brother Garvin and their younger brothers, Gorman and Norman. He is survived by his wife of 67 year Margaret Knox; son Marv Knox and wife Joanna of Durham, N.C.; son Martin Knox and wife Valorie of Weatherford; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions to the [National Kidney Foundation](#) or the [Knox Fund for Immigrant Relief](#).

