

Obituary: Randy Parsons

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Randy Parsons of Lubbock, longtime church musician, died Aug. 5. He was 85. He was born Dec. 10, 1935, to T.C. and Graham Armstrong Parsons in Waxahachie. He graduated from Waxahachie High School, and he earned degrees from Baylor University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. On Aug. 26, 1958, he married Myrna Darden in Lorenzo. During his long career dedicated to church music, he served churches in Texas, Oklahoma and Colorado. His last 14 years in



church music ministry were at Trinity Baptist Church in Lubbock. When he was able to go back to work after a liver transplant, he served as an adjunct professor in church administration and academic adviser at Wayland Baptist University's Lubbock campus. He loved working with sanctuary choirs, youth choirs and ensembles. He was a member of the Singing Men of Texas, traveling with the group on concert tours in Brazil and Australia and performing at the Myerson Symphony Center in Dallas. He was preceded in death by his sister Jeannine Bullion. He is survived by his wife Myrna; son Matt Parsons and wife Teresa of Eugene, Ore.; daughter Pam Ketelboeter and husband Randy of Murrieta, Calif.; four grandchildren; and brother John Parsons and wife Claudia of Waxahachie. Memorials may be sent to the Baylor University Gift Office, Lubbock Area Endowed Scholarship (Account 478SEJX) One Bear Place, Box 97050, Waco, TX 76798.