

Men Recognized for Service & Support to Church, family and community -Staff

William Watson



Graduate of G. W. Bradford High School Class of 1966. He is a professional Chef and is currently employed with Homehealth. William volunteers to help his neighbors by assisting them with transportation to the grocery store and

doctors visits. William is a single parent, father of six, who played a vital role in raising his children and is raising his granddaughter Kushira. He is a dedicated member of Mt. Pleasant C. M. E. Church where he serves on the Urshur Board as President, the food committee and the Trustee Board.



Samuel O' Neal

- Graduate of Airline High School, Shreveport Louisiana Class of 1982. Served his country in the United States Marine Core, then served six years in the reserve. Sam has been employed with Texas Department of Corrections more than seventeen years. He

is a volunteer coach for girls Summer League Basketball, and a faithful member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church- Rusk, Texas where he is an Ordained Deacon, member of Deacon Board and Sunday School Teacher. Dedicated husband & father - Married to Sheniqua Wyvonne Session O' Neal. They have daughters Armistia and Leasha.

Jerry C. Hart



Graduate of G. W. Bradford High School Class of 1959 Retired from Rusk State Hospital after 33 years. He is currently employed with ACCESS. He is a member of Reklaw Volunteer Fire Department and member of the Iron Hill Water Board serving as Secretary. Member

Cherokee Brotherhood Club Association, Member Blount Chapel Baptist Church, active in Male Chorus, adult Choir and fills in whenever and wherever he is needed. Jerry was recognized by his family on June 9th with a surprised birthday celebration and a very emotional appreciation service held at Shady Grove Church of God. Family members gave testimony about the many kind and generous things he has done for each of them over the years. Husband, father and Grandfather - Married to Essie Mae Hart. The Harts have five children and three grandchildren.

Rusk, TX.- At a most important time in history when the role of the male as father and leader in the church, and community is so vital, four men in the Rusk area were recognized for their outstanding support of church, family and community. Recognized were William Watson, Samuel O'Neal, Jeff Foreman and Jerry Hart. A committee from Mount Pleasant CME church selected the four based upon criteria set forth. Important to their selection was the giving back to the community that each has consistently demonstrated over a long period of time. On behalf of the church pastor, Rev. Phillips and the church, Walter Session presented each a gift certificate and a framed certificate of recognition. Speaker for the occasion was Rev. Jimmy Foreman, Pastor of West Union Faith Ministries.

Three of the 2006 honorees were present, Frenchie Henderson of Blount Chapel Baptist Church, Jerry Leviston of Mount Olive Baptist Church and Rev. Jimmy Foreman. The fourth 2006 honoree was Melvin Session of Woodville

Jeffery Lee

Foreman - Rusk High Graduate class of 1980. Employed with Rusk ISD More than 18 years. Born and raised in West Union Faith Ministry Church where he has been actively involved in the church since



he was a child. He has served as usher, choir member sound technician and any other spot where he is needed. Jeff is a founding member of "the Voices of Faith" family singing group for almost 24 years. He is a dedicated husband and father married to Connie Wickware Foreman. They have one son, Derrick.

Fatherhood

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pants hang off their butts, cut their hair and get rid of the braids, gold teeth, doo rags covered by a cap, the loud music driving down the street, the cursing. What happen to giving their word and meaning it! Getting a job and trying to keep it. Tell fathers its O.K. to hug their sons and please help them in college.

I feel if a man or woman can't be a father or mother every minute, then there should be a law demanding that women get their tubes tied and a man have a vasectomy.

This man I talked about was Valor D. Denman, my father, whom I loved til' he died with his beautiful green eyes.

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