

Congressman Bob Price's life was a shining example of a true American experience. Throughout his 76 years, Bob Price compiled an admirable record of service to his community, his state, and his country.

Bob Price was born September 7, 1927 in Reading, Kansas. He received a bachelor's degree in animal husbandry from Oklahoma State University in 1951, the same year he married his wife, Martha, or "Marty", in Oklahoma City.

Also in 1951, Mr. Price began a four-year stint in the United States Air Force. During the Korean Conflict, Mr. Price served as a fighter pilot, flying 27 combat missions and earning the Air Medal. After leaving the Air Force, Mr. Price owned and operated a ranch with his wife in Pampa, Texas for 50 years.

He was first elected to the U.S. House in 1966 and served here for eight years. Mr. Price served on the Armed Services Committee, the Agriculture Committee, and the Science and Astronautics Committee. During his time in Congress, Mr. Price was known as the only member who had flown Mach-3 in the SR-71 Blackbird, the F111-A and the F-4E Phantom. After leaving the U.S. House in 1975, he later served in the Texas State Senate from 1978 through 1980.

Mr. Price was also an active member of his community as a member of the First Baptist Church, the Pampa Masonic Lodge Number 966 AF & AM, the Pampa Shrine Club and the Downtown Kiwanis Club. He was also a member of the El Paso Scottish Rite Consistory and the Khiva Shrine Temple of Amarillo.

Bob Price is survived by his wife, Marty; a son, Carl Price, his wife, Kelly, and their children, Courtney, Grayson, Bridget, and Daniella, all of Houston; a daughter, Janice Johnson, her husband, Marc, and their children, Nicholas, Miles, and Elise, all of Indianapolis, Indiana; and a brother, Ben Price Jr. of Reading, Kansas. Mr. Price was preceded in death by his infant son, David Wayne Price, and another son, Robert Grant Price, who died in 1987.

I ask all of my colleagues to join me in extending condolences to the family and friends of former Congressman Bob Price of Texas and in honoring his service and many contributions to our great Nation.

ROY CAMERON HARRINGTON
MAKES HIS MARK ON THE WORLD

HON. BOB ETHERIDGE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Roy and Rhonda Harrington on the birth of their son, Mr. Roy Cameron Harrington. Roy was born on Thursday, July 1, 2004 and he weighed 7 pounds and 5 ounces. Faye joins me in wishing Roy and Rhonda great happiness during this very special time in their lives.

As a father of three, I know the immeasurable pride and rewarding challenge that children bring into your life. The birth of a child changes your perspective on life and opens the world to you in a fresh, new way. Their innocence keeps you young-at-heart. A little miracle, a new baby holds all the potential of what human beings can achieve.

With great happiness, I welcome young Roy into the world and wish Roy and Rhonda all the best as they raise him.

THE RETIREMENT OF DR. CARL G. ANDERSON

HON. CHARLES W. STENHOLM

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. STENHOLM. Mr. Speaker, I would like to share with my colleagues a story that appeared in the August 30, 2004 edition of the Lubbock Avalanche Journal, regarding Dr. Carl G. Anderson and his retirement, both as the Cotton Marketing Specialist for the Texas Cooperative Extension Service and as a professor with Texas A&M University's Department of Agricultural Economics.

As a West Texas cotton farmer, I will sorely miss Dr. Anderson's expertise, especially the calm, rational manner with which he makes sense of the cotton market. I often had the task of following Dr. Anderson in speaking at many a lunch or dinner, so I can attest to the respect and admiration he has among cotton farmers. He was, and will remain, a tough act to follow. I know my fellow cotton farmers, as well as all others involved in the cotton industry in Texas feel the same way.

I should note that Carl's love of agriculture was passed on to his daughter, Caroline Anderson Rydell, who worked for one of our former colleagues and was a staff member of the House Committee on Agriculture. Caroline remains in Washington and is working on behalf of American farmers and ranchers at the American Farm Bureau Federation.

It is my understanding that Carl will continue to be play a role on a part-time basis for another year. Those of us involved in cotton production in Texas will have Carl's expertise for one more year before we have to get through a planting, harvesting, ginning and marketing season without him!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for his 22 years of service as the Cotton Marketing Specialist for the Texas Cooperative Extension Service, and I wish him well as he begins to enjoy a well-deserved retirement with his wonderful wife, Shirley.

AG EXPERT HAS COTTON IN HIS BLOOD
ANDERSON RETIRING BUT STAYING IN FIELD
(By Joe Gulick)

Carl Anderson's involvement in the cotton industry began as a boy. He recalls picking cotton, dragging a heavy cotton sack behind him, and repeatedly hoeing the stubborn and prolific Johnson grass that sprouted in the black Texas soil of the family farm outside Taylor, near Austin.

"We had never even dreamed of Round-Up in those days," he said with a laugh, referring to the modern herbicide.

The many hours of hard work in the hot sun established character and built within him the desire to work hard and do well, he said. They also encouraged him to approach agriculture from a different perspective—one in which he used his head and not his hands. "It got me started on thinking," he said. "Thinking is a lot easier than running a gooseneck hoe and picking cotton."

The intellectual approach led to Anderson earning a doctorate from Texas A&M and becoming one of the top cotton marketing experts in the nation. His many awards and accolades attest to his success.

He will retire on Tuesday as professor and extension economist with A&M's Department of Agricultural Economics. But fortunately for the Texas cotton industry, he will continue to work part-time.

Roger Haldenby, vice president of operations of Plains Cotton Growers Inc., said Anderson is one of the leading cotton economists in the Cotton Belt—from California to the Carolinas—but is especially well known in Texas.

"Carl has been ahead of the curve on all of the market moves and has given sound and solid advice to cotton farmers on how they can market, hedge or keep their cotton from season to season," Haldenby said.

Dale Swinburn, who farms south of Tulia, called Anderson a great asset to the Texas cotton industry.

"He is a real educator and helps farmers understand the futures market. He is a great guy and is very approachable."

Anderson, who attended college on the GI Bill, worked as an economist for the Federal Reserve Bank in Dallas for about eight years after receiving his doctorate. He worked with agricultural lenders in the fledgling cattle feeding industry, primarily in the Texas Panhandle and Amarillo area.

In 1978, A&M created the position of cotton marketing specialist, and Anderson returned to his alma mater to take the job.

He recalls that he was surrounded by challenges, not the least of which was the fact that West Texas cotton quality was lacking at that time.

"The producers were very good at producing, but they did not think beyond the gin," he said. "At that point, the producer was pretty much at the mercy of the market—with the exception of a few co-ops."

Improving the quality of local cotton was a gradual process that was helped greatly by the change from hand evaluation of strength and quality of cotton fibers to machine evaluation. Cotton grown in West Texas today has higher fiber strength, longer fibers and better yields, he said.

Asked about the most rewarding part of his career, he replied, "Seeing farmers that have adapted to change, whether it was new systems of farming, new varieties or learning to price cotton when prices were most favorable."

He has seen tremendous changes in the cotton industry since his childhood, from machinery, herbicides and insect control to chemicals and developments in genetics.

"I remember my father plowing with mules," he said. "The first tractors were two-row tractors with steel wheels. Now they have four-wheel drive machines that do at least 12 rows at a time."

Anderson remembers spending the summer of 1949, after he graduated from high school, participating to a small degree in growing and harvesting the Texas cotton crop that still stands as a state record. As he retires, it appears the state will top that record this year.

"It is exciting to me that, with about half the acreage we had then, we can exceed the 6 million bales we had in 1949," he said.

The future of cotton in Texas will probably be on even fewer acres, he said. Some of the marginal acreage for cotton now will probably be used to grow other things, but the acres that remain will be higher-yielding ones.

And the United States will continue to be challenged by international competition, particularly from China, which Anderson said dominates the world in cotton production. One problem has been the shrinking of the U.S. textile industry and the strength of China's textiles, he said.

"The only way we can compete with them is to be the most efficient, from field to fabric," Anderson noted.

He is honored by a graduate assistant scholarship fund that has been established in his name at A&M. While he is looking forward to slowing down a bit, his remaining on part-time status after his retirement will be welcomed by those who have come to depend on him.

"I have heard people introduce him as the dean of cotton," said Billy Tiller, who farms west of Littlefield. "I take my hat off to him for serving us for all of these years. What would we do without him?"

IN MEMORY OF HANNAH H. HAGIN

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute to a dear friend and constituent, Hannah H. Hagin, who passed away in Cincinnati on August 30, 2004.

There are special people in our lives, and Hannah was one of them. It is especially hard to lose them. She brought love, laughter, and happiness to everyone she met. She was funny and modest and giving. Hannah had an enormous number of devoted friends who adored her. People loved her because her kind of compassion, generosity and dignity is rare.

Hannah's real legacy is her wonderful and accomplished family. She took tremendous pride in them, and she has a special place in each one of their hearts. This is true of her husband of nearly fifty years, Joe; her two sons, Joe and Hunt; her daughter-in-law, Lauren; and her twin granddaughters, Lily and Kate. Hannah was a very proud grandmother, and loved nothing more than spending time with Lily and Kate.

Hannah grew up in Lexington, Kentucky, where she met Joe, whom she married during their junior year of high school. She later attended the University of Kentucky, where she majored in history.

Hannah was also active with gardening, knitting and needlepoint. She was a member of the Indian Hill Garden Club.

All of us in Cincinnati who knew Hannah are grateful to have had her in our lives. She made all of us better human beings.

JOE SERNA, JR.

HON. DENNIS A. CARDOZA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. CARDOZA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, shortly following what would have been former Sacramento Mayor Joe Serna's 65th Birthday, to join with his friends and family in helping to honor Joe's lifelong commitment to bettering the lives of his fellow citizens through the dedication of the Joe Serna Jr. Amphitheater at Delta College.

The great labor leader, Cesar Chavez, once said, "You knock on twenty doors or so, and twenty guys tell you . . . that they haven't got time. But maybe at the fortieth or sixtieth house you find the one guy who is all you need."

Joe was one of those remarkable men Cesar Chavez was looking for. He was a

much rarer breed than one in forty or one in sixty. Joe was, at the very least, one in a million.

He answered this call to service and action at an early age, losing his job at a manufacturing facility by endorsing a strike. He continued this fight on behalf of his fellow man for the remainder of his life. He was often called upon to lend assistance to his mentor, Cesar Chavez, and did not once turn down such a request.

His devotion to others was remarkable and unrelenting; whether as a worker in a trailer factory, as a labor leader, as a volunteer in the Peace Corps, as the civic leader of California's capital city, or as a husband, father and grandfather.

It is fitting that Delta College is naming a building for him. Once Joe had decided to answer Chavez's call and take the path of self-sacrifice and dedication to his community, Delta College was the first place he turned to hone the skills that would allow him to be the most effective advocate he could be.

We can only hope that future generations passing through the campus will have some measure of the integrity and dedication to his fellow man as Joe Serna Jr. displayed his entire life. We are all the better for his efforts and it is my honor to recognize and pay tribute once again to this fine American.

TRIBUTE TO THE REVEREND JESSE LANGSTON BOYD, JR.

HON. DIANA DeGETTE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Ms. DeGETTE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the exceptional accomplishments and extraordinary life of the Reverend Jesse Langston Boyd. This remarkable gentleman merits both our recognition and esteem as his impressive record of leadership and his invaluable service has done much to improve the lives of our people.

Reverend Boyd's standing within our community is rivaled by few others. He was a dynamic preacher whose counsel was infused with a spiritual fire that moved all of us to do what was right. He lived his life on the front lines of progress and proved to be a powerful champion of economic and social justice. His indomitable spirit carried him through many of life's challenges and molded a life of genuine accomplishment.

Jesse Boyd began his life in St. Louis, Missouri and settled in Los Angeles during the height of the civil rights movement. He joined the Reverend Jesse Jackson's Operation Breadbasket and organized the city's Operation PUSH. In the early 1970's, he spent two years as a missionary in Zambia building schools and houses. He later studied at the Center for the Study of Religions in Jerusalem and earned a degree in divinity from Harvard University.

Reverend Boyd came to our community in 1978 and was pastor of Shorter African Methodist Episcopal Church for over twenty-six years. As a spiritual leader, he advanced the social and educational development of our youth and burnished a reputation as a powerful advocate for civil liberties, inclusion and expanding opportunities for all people. Under

Reverend Boyd's leadership, Shorter A.M.E. became a beacon of hope and remains a positive force in the spiritual and civic life of our community.

He served as President of the Black Ministerial Alliance and in the mid-1980's, he helped create People Against Racism at Coors after William Coors, board chairman, was quoted in the Rocky Mountain News as saying that blacks lacked "intellectual capacity." The newspaper later retracted the story and a suit filed by Coors against the newspaper was also retracted. His civic accomplishments included building a fifty-unit housing development and establishing a park near Shorter A.M.E. Church.

Reverend Boyd was no stranger to political and community activism. He served as director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and chaired the boards of directors of Denver Metro PUSH and the Rainbow Coalition. Former Governor Roy Romer appointed him to the Colorado Wildlife Commission and he co-chaired the state campaigns for the Reverend Jesse Jackson, Gary Hart and Michael Dukakis.

It comes as no surprise that the Muscular Dystrophy Association honored Reverend Boyd with the 2004 Personal Achievement Award for his extensive religious, social and political contributions. Recently, Mayor John Hickenlooper proclaimed June 24th, 2004, as "The Reverend Jesse Langston Boyd Day."

We are indeed grateful for the life of Reverend Boyd and for his inestimable contribution to the spiritual life of our community and to the causes that elevate the human condition. He was a fervent defender of the civil liberties which have deep roots in our republic and we are all diminished by the passing of the remarkable gentleman. His contemporaries, including the Reverend James Peters, the Reverend Paul Martin and the Reverend Gil Caldwell recently noted that Reverend Boyd "was a spiritual giant in our community" who "helped us blaze the trail" and "dared challenge America to become a land 'with liberty and justice for all'." I would simply add that I believe Reverend Boyd's message to us would be that we must be ever vigilant and continue to affirm the values of equality, inclusion and tolerance—the values which define us as Americans. Please join me in paying tribute to the life of Reverend Jesse Langston Boyd, a distinguished spiritual and civic leader. His service, accomplishments and leadership command our respect and serve to build a better future for all Americans.

REGARDING PRESENTATION OF THE MILITIA AWARD TO DEBRA WADA

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, as we return to session following a productive August among the people we represent, it is worth remembering that for the most part, the staff of the House has been here and working through the month.

I believe we do not recognize often enough those dedicated public servants, who get lumped into that antiseptic word "staff."