

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION
FOR
MILTON EUGENE HENDERSON

Milton Eugene Henderson shuffled off this mortal coil on March 9, 2017 at the age of 78 years. He was born on 3 February 1939 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, the son of Eugene Archie and Elizabeth Montgomery Henderson. The family moved to Nashville when he was two or three years old, and he grew up there.

When Milton and his sisters, Ann Ella and Carolyn were growing up in their home on Highway 100 in Nashville, they were active in Harpeth Heights Baptist Church which was across the road from their home. Milton rang the church bell on Sundays, his sister played the piano and organ, his father was the Superintendent of the Sunday School, and his mother taught Sunday School there.

At home, they raised farm animals and some food for the cows, chickens, and the family as well. Milton's chores included milking the cows, collecting the eggs, and working in the field and vegetable garden. Sometimes they boarded horses for others. He also helped his father in his bus business downtown.

When Milton learned of a technical high school in town, he arranged to leave the school in Bellevue to attend Hume Fogg, from where he graduated in 1957. He was very excited to learn about radio and television and said he had almost perfect attendance throughout his time at Hume Fogg. Channel 5 TV was looking to hire his teacher when he was a senior, but the teacher recommended Milton instead. He worked at Channel 5 in the Audio Division control room as an engineer, for several years, even before earning his degree. The income from that job put him through college. Since his parents afforded

him room and board, he was able to pay his own tuition. He was employed there again for a while after returning from Titusville, Florida.

In September 1963 he married Suzanne ("Suzie") Lancaster. He was by that time working for NASA in Huntsville, Alabama, after graduating from Vanderbilt University with a degree in electrical engineering. After Huntsville, he was transferred by NASA to Cape Canaveral, Florida. Both of his sons, Milton Eugene ("Gene") Henderson, Jr. and Charles Montgomery ("Monty") were born in Titusville, Florida. After a couple of years in Florida, the family returned to Nashville where he resumed employment with Channel 5 for a short while before assuming a recording engineer position at the RCA Record Studio for six or seven years, where he was recognized for his work on recordings by name artists, including Elvis Presley. His daughter, Sharon Suzanne, was born in Nashville in 1968.

From 1966-68, Milton joined a group known as Laymen for the Betterment of Williamson County, founded by Hamilton Paine. This group worked to help African-American young men in the county who were in difficulty with law enforcement or needed additional skills for employment. The purpose was to help these young men stay in school, find success there, and then place them in meaningful employment. Mr. Paine's son related to Milton's widow, Helen H. Henderson, recently that this group of men did a great deal toward easing the considerable racial tension that existed in Franklin and Williamson County at that time. Milton was extremely gratified by the role he played in the success of that endeavor.

He attended and graduated from the YMCA Night Law School, now the Nashville School of Law from 1969 until 1973. He then was employed by the Nashville firm of

Steltemeier & Westbrook beginning in 1974, and worked there for the succeeding twenty-six years. His practice was focused in the areas of wills, divorces, collections, and commercial law. He retired from the practice of law to Jacksonville, Alabama in 2000, where he taught Mathematics at Jacksonville State University.

In 2003, he returned to Nashville, where he resided for the remainder of his life. Milton loved to read and to research the genealogy of the Henderson family. Milton loved Southern history and reading and studying about the War Between the States. He was a true son of Tennessee and Alabama and loved to discuss the role of his ancestors in the development and history of these States. He was a political conservative with a heart for humankind. He also enjoyed running and racing with the Nashville Striders. He participated in many races, including at least one-half marathon and a triathlon, where he raced on foot, on a bicycle, and by swimming. He married Helen Harding Williams at First Presbyterian Church in Nashville, Tennessee on 16 August 2008.

In addition to his wife, Helen Harding Henderson, Milton leaves his three children to mourn his passing, and grandchildren Chase, Connor, Ashley and Emily Henderson; sisters, Ann Ella Henderson Collier and Carolyn Henderson Temple and three nieces, a nephew, a great-niece and three great-nephews.

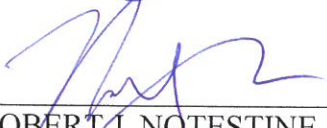
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Nashville Bar Association that we honor the life and work of Milton Eugene Henderson and mourn in his passing the loss of a good and loyal friend and able lawyer of long standing at the bar.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Memorial Resolution be placed in the permanent records of the Association and entered in the "*In Memoriam*" Minute Book of

the Chancery Court of Davidson County, Tennessee and that copies thereof be furnished to Mr. Henderson's family.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:


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ROBERT J. NOTESTINE


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Entered this the 16th day of November in the year of our Lord 2017, being the 241st year of American Independence.


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