



## E. B. Moore

April 4, 1915 - July 25, 2002

Edwin Bland Moore, age 87, of Lindsay, Oklahoma, passed away Thursday, July 25, 2002, at Mercy Hospital in Oklahoma City. He was born on April 4, 1915 (Easter Sunday) to Bud B. Moore and Bertha Florence Rickey Moore, in Holdenville, Oklahoma. He was well known as the Lindsay High School band director for 23 years

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Veda Margaret Smith Moore. They were married in Siloam Springs, Arkansas on November 22, 1941. Survivors also include their daughter, Carol Anne and husband Don White, of Georgetown, Texas; and their son, Edwin B. Moore, Jr. and his wife Chris of Bridgeview (Lake Texoma), Oklahoma. Grandchildren are Troy Don and Julia White of Bedford, TX; Brandon Lee and Martha White of Lawrenceville, GA; and Nicole Elizabeth White of Vail, CO; also Petty Officer Brian Edwin and Lora Moore, of San Diego, CA; and Staff Sergeant Steven Edwin and Becky Moore of Altus, OK. Great-grandchildren are Brandon Lee White, Jr., Vivian Louise White, Sean- Michael Ross Moore, Katherine Brianna Moore, Elizabeth Ashley Moore, and Katherine Nichole Bridges-Moore.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents Henry Douglas (H.D.) and Kate Moore, and Franklin & Fannie Murphy Rickey, his parents and two older brothers, Alton and Curtis Moore.

He began his musical career by playing his elder brothers rented cornet before starting elementary school, but lost out when the cornet was returned. He joined the Holdenville Junior High School band as a drummer, because his

older brother owned a drum. He was encouraged in the study of music by his parents through private lessons and purchase of several instruments including trap drums, trombone, clarinet, baritone, and violin, while he was still in high school.

He decided to be a band director almost from the beginning of his formal music study. Prior to graduation from Holdenville High School, he was a member of the All-State Band and the All-State Fair Band. He won numerous honors on his trombone, after only ten months of study, and had his own radio show at the age of 16. He also played in the school orchestra and the dance and stage bands. He was a frequent soloist at civic clubs, school and church programs, and was in the Oklahoma Honor Society and the National Honor Society.

He attended East Central State College in Ada, where he was featured as trombone and baritone soloist. He also served as interim director of the college band, orchestra, and applied music teacher of brass instruments, during the illness of Dad Fentem, band director. He made a number of trips as featured soloist with Doctor Lenscheid, the President of East Central State College, when he went on speaking engagements. Mr. Moore also served as president of College Music club.

He transferred to the University of Oklahoma for further music study and received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Instrumental Public School Music, in 1937. While at OU, he was a member of Kappa Kappa Psi and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, national music fraternities. He received his Master of Music Education from the University of Oklahoma in 1938.

E.B. Moore began his teaching career at Edmond, Ok, in 1938, when the school has no band. There were only seven experienced players in the school, at that time. He started 17 in the summer and added rank beginners in September. He marched 60 members at the first football game and 70 members in the Governors Inaugural parade in January. His teaching career was interrupted at the time of World War II. He served in the U.S. Army from April 1942 to December 1945, in anti - aircraft artillery, as radar operator. He

spent 19 months in the European theater of operations, taking part in four major campaigns in England, France, Germany, and Belgium.

He returned to Edmond High School during the second semester of 1945-46 and remained there until 1948. A memorial scholarship award in his name is still presented annually to an outstanding young music student.

E.B.

# Tribute Wall

LS

“ It is so sad to hear of the passing of E.B. It was my privilege and honor to have been a student and member of his Lindsay bands from the fifth grade through graduation. To Veda, Carol Anne and Eddie, E.B. was a wonderful person, teacher and friend to more young people than you can ever know. He sold me my first cornet and allowed me to pay it out for \$1 a week and I still have it. His great memory will live forever...not only in the halls of Lindsay schools but every school that was fortunate enough to have had E.B conduct their bands. He was a wonderful person and he will be missed. My sympathy to his family and friends.

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**Lanny Smith** - August 09, 2002 at 01:00 PM

RT

“ Just a few weeks ago, I had an opportunity to play my saxophone. Opening up my old case brought back a rush on fond memories of being a member of the LHS band. To this day I remain grateful that EB Moore gave his time to share the blessing of music with so many of us. He will be missed and my prayers are with his family.  
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**Rick Tivis** - August 03, 2002 at 01:00 PM

GT

“ Even though I'm only one of hundreds of students Mr. Moore taught, he left a lasting impression on me. He was my first band director, gave me my first private lessons on trumpet, and although he didn't like it too much when I jazzed up the Victory March, he was fond of me and I of him. Now, after many years of playing professionally myself, I have more respect for him than ever. He was a great teacher, and a great man, and like the Sousa Marches he loved so much, he'll live on forever in our hearts.

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**Greg Tivis** - August 02, 2002 at 01:00 PM

GK

“ I never remember a time in my life that Mr. Moore wasn't a part of it-  
-from living across the street to being in the best band in the State  
of Oklahoma. I can still hear him on the football field yelling his fond  
nickname for me. The community has lost a wonderful individual  
and LHS will always remember Mr. Moore.

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**Gayle Alexander Kearns** - July 30, 2002 at 01:00 PM

PG

“ E.B. was a wonderful human being. He was my brother in Christ. It  
is an honor for me to be serving in the same area he served so  
faithfully years ago. One day we can share our stories. Veda  
Margaret, You and the family will be in my prayers. God be with you.  
In his name. Amen

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**Pastor George** - July 29, 2002 at 01:00 PM

SC

“ Wishing you the faith to look beyond today's clouds and into the  
bright sunshine of tomorrow. <br>

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**Sammy L Croy** - July 29, 2002 at 01:00 PM

SS

“ The Lord is so precious and close at these times. I will always  
remember the special times at Lake Texhoma and the impact in my  
life at school. The lasting impression Mr. Moore had on my life was  
an important part of my preparation to become a worship pastor in  
our church as well as writing and arranging music. Those days with  
him still encourage me to give my best. We love your family and will  
be praying for you.

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**Steve and GayLynne Sharp** - July 29, 2002 at 01:00 PM

AM

“ Ed - Patti and I want you to know our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family during this time. We think of you often.

Ann Henson and Patti Martin - July 29, 2002 at 01:00 PM

SH

“ My sympathy to Mr. Moore's family. When I think of the 60's and Lindsay, my thoughts always go to band and Mr. Moore. He helped me through some tough times during that time with the illness of my Mom. I could always count on him to listen and be the friend I needed. As a teacher and counselor now, I have relied many times on his influence and teachings in my life. My favorite stories about school always center around something that happened in band or on a trip with the band. It was fun to experience that excitement again at our 20th reunion in 1988 when Mr. Moore returned to lead the band. To say he made a difference in my life is an understatement. I just hope that I have touched someones life during my career like Mr. Moore did in mine.

Shari Hawk-Ogburn - July 28, 2002 at 01:00 PM

HR

“ He helped make Lindsay the best public school in Oklahoma. The Cotton Bowl and Sugar Bowl trips were two of my parents' favorite vacations.

Hank Ryan - July 28, 2002 at 01:00 PM

LN

“ *Mr. Moore was a great teacher with a way a instilling a desire to bet the best and the desire to win. An attitude that has stayed with his band students throughout their lives. I am so proud to have been on of his band students. Some of my fondest memories of school are of the band trips, Thursday night field rehearsals (ONE MORE TIME!), and the contests. My prayers and thoughts are with his family. He was loved and respected by many!*

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**Linda Estes Newby** - July 28, 2002 at 01:00 PM

BK

“ *wish we could be there today with you but don't think Howard will be up to it. Our love to you and the family*

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**betty and howard Klingman** - July 28, 2002 at 01:00 PM

LC

“ *I have many memories both of the band and of family occasions. Your family is very much a part of my earlier memories. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**LaVahn Stringer Childers** - July 28, 2002 at 01:00 PM

PL

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family. Please give Ed and Veda my love.*

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**Peggy Stringer Lester** - July 28, 2002 at 01:00 PM

JM

“ Mr. Moore influenced my life more than any other teacher. He encouraged me to be the best cornet player in the state. He gave me private lessons for 6 years and taught me to believe in myself. I am a teacher also and I hope I can help my young students become better people like Mr. Moore did for hundreds of his students. In honor of his legacy, I will try to play my trumpet as long as I have strength enough to play the notes he helped me learn. A loving good-bye to The Music Man!

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**Jim Martindale** - July 28, 2002 at 01:00 PM

SC

“ My sympathy and condolences to the family of Mr. Moore. I have had the privilege of knowing Veda Margaret and painting with her at Redbud China Painters. She is a beautiful lady and I know he was a gentleman. We need more like them today in our schools.

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**Sammy L Croy** - July 28, 2002 at 01:00 PM

LT

“ So sorry to hear of Mr. Moore's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. <br>

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**Louanne Trueblood** - July 27, 2002 at 01:00 PM

DS

“ Our sympathy to E. B. Moore's family. He was band director for all three of our children. He made a difference in many lives.

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**Dorothy and Clyde Sharp** - July 27, 2002 at 01:00 PM

EH

“ Mr. Moore helped shape the lives of many of his students and he will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.

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**Ed Hites** - July 27, 2002 at 01:00 PM

BK

“ *Mr. Moore truly was one of the teacher that made Lindsay High School great in the 60's while I was there. My condolences go out to Mrs. Moore, one of the best English teachers from LHS. You are in my prayers.*

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**Bonnie Foley Kurtz** - July 27, 2002 at 01:00 PM

RM

“ *I am sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Moore. My condolences go out to the family.*

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**Ross Murphy** - July 26, 2002 at 01:00 PM