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City to Honor Former Mayor, Bill Thorne

Bill Thorne, long-time Highland Village resident and mayor, passed away peacefully in his home on Wednesday, April 26, 2017. As a show of respect and honor, the City will lower flags to half staff at the Municipal Complex and The Robert & Lee DuVall Center beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 19 until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 22. A memorial celebration of Bill's full, rich life will be held on Sunday afternoon, May 21, from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. at The Union, 2300 Highland Village Rd., Highland Village, TX 75077. Interment will be May 22 at The Dallas-Ft.Worth National Cemetery.

Bill served on the Highland Village City Council for three terms, from 1984 to 1990 and served two years as mayor. Bill was interviewed for the City's 50th Anniversary celebration [video](#) and his love and passion for Highland Village was evident. Bill's service to the City occurred during a challenging time as the City transitioned from a village of about 2100 residents to a rapidly growing city. Bill served on Council the one and only time the City ran out of water. Bill was instrumental in establishing the City's water subscription with the Upper Trinity Regional Water District.

"We have lost a great supporter of Highland Village. Bill chose to serve the City at a time some may label as exciting but with that excitement came many challenges. He has remained active in the City participating with the City's Senior All-Star program. We send our heartfelt condolences to Bill's wife Nancy and their family," stated Mayor Charlotte Wilcox.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by [Mulkey-Mason Funeral Home](#).