



**H.B. Horn**, was born in Kentucky and arrived in Albuquerque by train in 1921 when his family moved here.

After graduating from Albuquerque High School in 1934, he went into business for himself in 1939 as the owner of a single gas station in Albuquerque's South Valley that he grew into the Horn Oil Company. It became New Mexico's biggest independent oil company before he sold it in 1977.

Horn has been a member of Albuquerque's First Baptist Church at Broadway and Central Avenue for 80 years and has served the church in many ways.

He and his wife Lucille – who has had Alzheimer's disease for 10 years – have been supporters of such organizations as Musical Theatre Southwest, the Wheels Museum, the YMCA of Albuquerque, Rotary International, and the Explora Science Center and

Children's Museum.

"I have been director of the Chamber of Commerce, foreman of a federal grand jury, director of the Community Chest board, chairman of the Urban Renewal board, president of the Petroleum Club, a founding member of the University of New Mexico Foundation board. I've been named a Kentucky Colonel and a New Mexico Colonel," Horn says.

He's also been active in Toastmasters International, an organization that he says helps people "not only learn to speak, but also learn how to listen to other people and respect their opinions."

As a board member of the YMCA, he helped it acquire the land for the Camp Shaver summer camp in the Jemez and last year he made a million-dollar commitment to the Y. He also helped establish a daycare center at First Baptist Church.

Horn has also been active in the New Mexico Ballut Abyad Shrine – as potentate in 1977 – and he's served on the board of governors for the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children in Los Angeles.

"I liked being on boards, meeting and getting to know people. And I'm still active. It's just good therapy. Good stress, not bad stress.

I have given up to 30 percent of my income. It's what the law allows, and I'd rather do that than give it to the government. I don't know why more people don't take advantage of what's legal. I enjoy giving."

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HORN -- Hosier Benton (H.B.) Horn, 91, a pioneer businessman and resident of Albuquerque since 1921, died on Palm Sunday, March 16, 2008. He was preceded in death by his wife of 69 years, Lucille. He is survived by his son, Benton Horn III and his wife, Susan of Carmel, CA, and son, Thomas E. Horn and his partner, Caesar Alexzander of San Francisco, CA. He is also survived by granddaughters, Julia Horn, Lisa Morton, Tiffany Polli and grandson, Benton Horn IV and three great-grandchildren as well as his sister-in-

law, Ruth Horn; and numerous cousins, nephews and nieces. H.B. formed the Horn Oil Company in 1938 which he operated with his brother Calvin until 1977. He was also involved in many other ventures and investments throughout the years. He gave much of his time to civic activities. He was named Outstanding Leader in Philanthropy in 2007 by the Association of Fundraising Professionals. He was the first member of the Million Dollar Club of the United Way of Central New Mexico. In 2006, he was named a Living Legend by the Albuquerque Rotary Club and also named to the Senior Hall of Fame by Silver Horizons. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Masonic Lodge # 60, York Rite Bodies, a member and Past Potentate of Ballut Abyad Shrine and a member of the Board of Governors of the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children in Los Angeles. He was also a member of the Elks Club # 461, the Rotary International Club # 242 and a past member of numerous civic and religious organizations. Pallbearers are Oliver Allred, Lee Black, David Cauwels, Tom Donley, Dee Durano, Benton Horn IV, James Roach and George Stevens. Honorary pallbearers will be the Deacons of the First Baptist Church and Past Potentates of the Ballut Abyad Shrine. The family requests that memorial contributions, in lieu of flowers, be made to the H.B. and Lucille Horn YMCA, 4901 Indian School Road NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110 or to the Crippled Children's Transportation Fund, Ballut Abyad Shrine Mosque, P.O. Box 8410, Albuquerque, NM 87198. Friends may visit Wednesday, March 19, 2008, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at French Mortuary, University Blvd. Chapel. Funeral services will be held Thursday, March 20, 2008, 11:00 a.m., at the First Baptist Church, 101 Broadway NE. A private entombment will follow at Chester T. French Memorial Mausoleum, at Sunset Memorial Park, 924 Menaul Blvd. NE. French Mortuary 1111 University Blvd. NE (505) 843-6333 [www.frenchmortuary.com](http://www.frenchmortuary.com)