

*The Impossible Dream*  
Music by Mitch Leigh and lyrics by Joe Darion

To dream the impossible dream  
To fight the unbeatable foe  
To bear with unbearable sorrow  
To run where the brave dare not go

To right the unrightable wrong  
To love pure and chaste from afar  
To try when your arms are too weary  
To reach the unreachable star

This is my quest  
To follow that star  
No matter how hopeless  
No matter how far

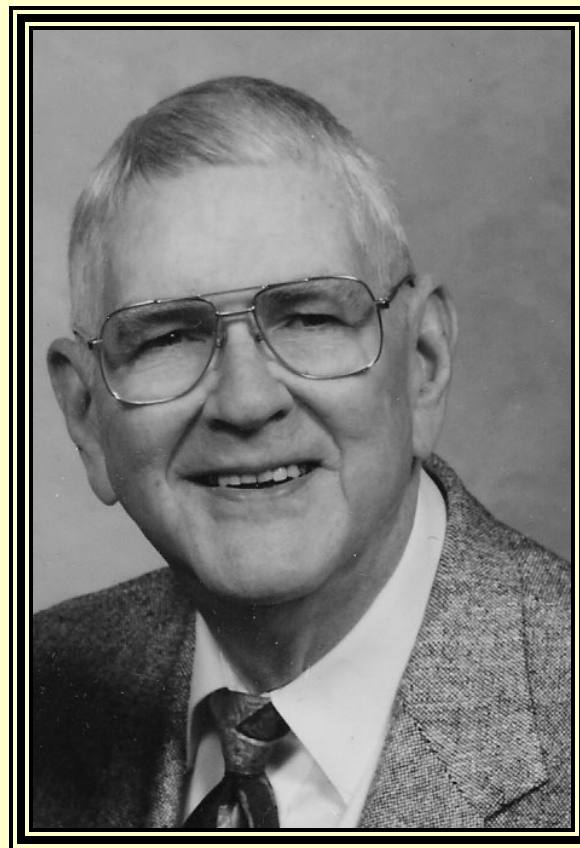
To fight for the right  
Without question or pause  
To be willing to march into Hell  
For a heavenly cause

And I know if I'll only be true  
To this glorious quest  
That my heart will lie peaceful and calm  
When I'm laid to my rest

And the world will be better for this  
That one man, scorned and covered with scars  
Still strove with his last ounce of courage  
To reach the unreachable star

*All are welcome at a reception following the service.  
601 Oxford Court*

## MEMORIAL SERVICE



**GEORGE MIDDLETON, PHD**

**FEBRUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>, 1923 – APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2008**

**JOHNSON FUNERAL HOME  
LAKE CHARLES, LA  
MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2008**

George Middleton, Jr, PhD passed away on April 27th, 2008 at his home in Lake Charles, LA, age 85. Dr. Middleton was born on February 26th, 1923 in Houston, TX and was the beloved husband of Margaret “Jackie” MacLean Middleton for the past 54 years. Dr. Middleton earned his BA from Birmingham-Southern College in 1948, his MA from the University of Alabama in 1951, and his PhD in Clinical Psychology from Pennsylvania State University in 1958. Dr. Middleton served as a professor of special education and then psychology at McNeese State University from 1958 to 1974. During his time at McNeese Dr. Middleton founded the Summer Enrichment Program for gifted students in 1959, which became a statewide program, the Governor’s Program for Gifted Children in 1964. Dr. Middleton served as the Director of the Governor’s Program from 1964 until his death. Dr. Middleton also served as a psychological consultant to the Calcasieu Parish School Board as well as Charter Hospital, in addition to conducting a private practice in clinical psychology and neuropsychology. Dr. Middleton belonged to many professional societies and served as the President of the Louisiana Psychological Association from 1973-1974.

Dr. Middleton is survived by his wife Margaret, and his nieces and nephews Sally Pritchett of Fayetteville, GA, John and Margaret Pritchett of Florence, SC, and Dr. Peter and Susan Pritchett of Montrose, CO. He is also survived by his extended family of dear friends and legion of “gifties.”

We hope that you have reached that unreachable star Dr. Middleton, and we will always stay true to your quest.

An online guest book has been set up to share thoughts and memories of Dr. Middleton. It can be found at:  
[www.gpgc.org/MiddletonGuestBook.php](http://www.gpgc.org/MiddletonGuestBook.php).

## Order of Service

Officiant: Reverend James Reed, former Assistant Director  
of the Governor’s Program for Gifted Children

*Ave Maria* Schubert  
as recorded by Anna Popov, GPGC Alumna

Opening Prayers

*Stopping By Woods* Thompson, arr. J.T. Crews  
as recorded by the GPGC Chorus, 2005

Lesson: Job 19:21-27

Psalm 130

Lesson: I John 3:1-2

Words of Remembrance

Psalm 23

Gospel: John 10:11-16

Words of Remembrance

Closing prayers

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Commendation

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Led by a recording by the GPGC Chorus, 2005