

Suggested Name	Reason Name Should be Used
<b>Boomtown Park</b>	McKinney is a Top Boomtown in the U.S. SmartAsset looked at several metrics reflective of growth and prosperity for each of the 575 largest cities in the U.S., considering the local unemployment rate for each city, the regional rate of GDP growth, the rate of housing development and the net migration rate in each area.
<b>Brantley Dusk Rider Park</b>	This is an amazing name, Brantley means warrior and Dusk Rider is a cowboy name as Mckinney loves the country to our town!
<b>Buffalo Grass Park</b>	Buffalo grass was an major endogenous species throughout the region. The name would be reminiscent of the buffalo herds and the native praries that are recaptured in small park by an urban park. Who doesn't like buffaloes, and grass?
<b>Butterfly Park</b>	Because there is a big butterfly for the kids to play on and I think that would be a great name:)
<b>Butterfly Park</b>	I have 5 ideas how to name the park: 1. Butterfly Park-because of the huge colorful butterfly in the center of the park and this name is easy to remember for kids. 2. Eagles Park-because of the decorative Eagles pictures cut on metal borders in the park 3. Eagle Nest Park-because of the name of the community next to the park 4. Presidents Park-because the close community streets are named after presidents 5. Reagan's Park-because it on Reagan Dr.
<b>Celestial Park</b>	It is a happy name that encompasses everything beyond us. Reach for the stars :) It is also my daughter's name, and she is my universe.
<b>Chad Case Memorial Park</b>	Chad was a former city employee that had his life cut short April 6, 2016 due to a terminal illness. His father Curtis also a former city employee retired last year with 27 years of dedicated service. Who better to honor?!!
<b>Cody A. Board Memorial Park</b>	See "Attachment A"
<b>Collin McKinney Park</b>	Because the city was named after Collin McKinney 250 years ago, this year. Yet, we have no park carrying the name.
<b>Dana Riley Park</b>	Dana Riley is a woman in McKinney that should be recognized for all she has done with the organization Volunteer McKinney. More WOMAN should be recognized in McKinney, Texas and more parks should be named AFTER women who have served their community. The mission of Dana Riley's work is to Volunteer in McKinney - what better mission for a park's name.
<b>Don and Jo Pierce Park</b>	Don and Jo Pierce were both acclaimed school teachers for well over 20 years, EACH, in McKinney before retiring. Having influenced thousands upon thousands of students over the years, I constantly have people come up to me and tell me how much of an influence they had on their lives and that they remember them with fond memories and the instilled lessons that are still directing their lives.
<b>Donald "duck" Sadler Park (8 submissions)</b>	See Attachment B
<b>Ebby Halliday Park</b>	See Attachment C
<b>Freedom Park</b>	Freedom is a goal of everyone and it is what this country is known for.
<b>George Webb</b>	See Attachment D

<b>Grady Littlejohn (152 submissions)</b>	See Attachment E
<b>Harvey Oaxaca</b>	To honor a living community leader who has been a role model for 1000's of McKinney students in his service to MISD and education, especially for students who are at risk of fulfilling their potential due to a variety of circumstance. Harvey has for decades been a committed teacher, leader, volunteer, healer, and ombudsman. His selection would also recognize the tremendous contributions of our Hispanic citizenry and the growing diversity of our city.
<b>Joe E Odle Park</b>	See Attachment F
<b>Justina</b>	Very great and loving man!
<b>Larry J Hines Park</b>	My dad gave to and served McKinney his entire life. From being the community doctor, surgeon, to serving on the school board for over 20 years. He also gave his time to many organizations and people.
<b>Little John park</b>	This man started McKinney youth baseball over 40 years ago.
<b>Littlejohn Field</b>	He was a beloved individual & vendor who was always there for the teams and the players who were on those teams & families. He was a ballpark fixture for decades.
<b>Mack Moran Hill, MD</b>	See Attachment G
<b>McKinney Mavericks or Blaine Park</b>	This name should be used to represent the strong Special Needs community in the city of Mckinney. The Special Olympics delegates and their parents contributes so much to the city of mckinney. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Special-Olympics-McKinney-Mavericks-273584542973717/">https://www.facebook.com/Special-Olympics-McKinney-Mavericks-273584542973717/</a>
<b>Monarch Park</b>	Love the butterfly structure in the park, it's perfect for the name. Monarch butterflies are the most beautiful of all butterflies, some say, and are considered the king of the butterflies, hence the name monarch - Local well-meaning organizations who share a love for the Monarchs are sparing no efforts to extend all help to the government in this wonderful conservation effort. -This would fit in with McKinney's theme, Unique by Nature.
<b>Nancy Reagan Park</b>	The late former First Lady of our country that launched the "Just Say No" to drugs campaign teaching all children of this country and the world to be drug free. Name is suitable for the neighborhood with presidential names, let's pay homage to a First Lady of the Presidents.
<b>Picnic Park</b>	Friendly name with catchy alliteration. The picnic pavilion will be very popular. Why not highlight it in the name of the park?
<b>President Ronald Reagan Park</b>	Most people will refer to the park as Reagan Park just because it's on Reagan Drive so let's simplify matters and take this opportunity to honor our great, former President Ronald Reagan and to point out that the park is located on Reagan Drive at the same time to make it easy for people to find it.
<b>Reagan Park</b>	In honor of Ronald and Nancy Reagan
<b>President Theodore Roosevelt</b>	See Attachment H
<b>Raymond Howell Jr.</b>	See Attachment I

<b>Refresh Park</b>	It should be used because the name and the park will appeal to the mind and the senses through relaxation using sights and scents and many more perks.
<b>Richard &amp; Agnes Coughlin Park</b>	See Attachment J
<b>Russwood Park</b>	Because the park is located in Russwood Acres
<b>Sally Ride</b>	<p><a href="http://www.forbes.com/sites/alexknapp/2012/07/23/sally-ride-first-american-woman-in-space-dead-at-61/#78a02c046454">http://www.forbes.com/sites/alexknapp/2012/07/23/sally-ride-first-american-woman-in-space-dead-at-61/#78a02c046454</a></p> <p><a href="#">I believe women need more role models to get into science and technology careers and Sally was a great role model and someone all kids can look up to.</a></p>
<b>Sara Egelston Akers Park</b>	Sara Egelston Akers has done so much for the McKinney Youth Theater. I believe more parks in McKinney should be named after women since not many have been in the past. The McKinney Youth Theater does so much for the McKinney community and Sara is the leader of that effort.
<b>Sunny Wells Park</b>	See Attachment K
<b>Unicos</b>	Baseball team
<b>Unique By Nature Park</b>	It is what the city of McKinney is all about
<b>Westwind Park</b>	The park is located on the western side of McKinney, the land is fairly flat without much to block the wind, and, except for when we have storms coming up from the gulf, the wind typically blows from the west. In addition, the alliteration makes the words flow together well.

## **ATTACHMENT A**

### **Cody A. Board Memorial Park**

On behalf of the Raytheon Veterans Group (RAYVETS) out of McKinney, TX, it is with great honor and humbleness that I respectfully request to name McKinney's newest park after Cody A. Board. Cody was a graduate of McKinney North High School and in 2009 he enlisted into the US Army as an infantry soldier. Cody died in combat in November of 2010.

I work with Cody's father, Chris Board, who is a graduate of West Point and a Combat Veteran of Dessert Storm. I was fortunate enough to get status reports about Cody's journey through Basic Training and shared in his father's concern when he was eventually deployed to Afghanistan in 2010. Chris and I have both served in combat and there was no need for us to belabor the dangers of being in a war zone, but the concern was always there under the surface as we talked about where Cody's unit was at and when he would eventually come home. Unfortunately, Cody paid the ultimate sacrifice when his Stryker vehicle was hit by an IED days before his 20th birthday. The tragedy of losing a child is something that no parent should have to face but Chris and Melissa did so with courage and the knowledge that their son was a brave and dedicated soldier, doing his duty to the very end. Chris has two other sons, both getting ready to serve as officers in the US Army which exemplifies the unquestionable patriotism of this family.

While naming a park after Cody will not bring him back, it will be a lasting testament to his courage and selflessness that others can venerate and emulate. When McKinney residents go and enjoy the newest of the many parks in our city, they will know that it is named after a hometown hero who gave his own life so that others can enjoy their freedom.

I have contacted both of his parents regarding this submission and they have given their blessing with the nomination.

## ATTACHMENT B

### Duck Sadler Park

- This name should be used because my grandfather has left an amazing impact on everyone not only in McKinney but throughout the surrounding counties. He's an amazing man & would give the shirt off of his back to help someone in need.
- He had a wrecking yard and helped many of people throughout the years. Now he's really sick and battling cancer!
- I think this name should be used bc he helped so many people out when they needed it and always offered so much.
- He has helped countless people in and around the city of Mckinney and is going threw his third bout with cancer me and my family would just greatly appreciate seeing his name live on in mckinney
- I believe that this name should be used because this man was a very great person and would help anyone one need. He would even let people have anything without pay. He never worried about himself just the welfare of other. Thank you!
- Duck sadler is my husbands grandfather he is a kind and caring person who has helped countless people in Collin county and surrounding county's if you needed something and he had it but you didn't have the cash he would always make sure you got what you needed and we're able to provide for your family he supplied jobs to alot of youth and underprivileged people and gave people second chances and the benefit of the doubt he is known by all the original mckinney people and has helped them all at one time or another he is going threw his third bout with cancer and I would love to see my children's grandfather's name live on in mckinney he is the last of a dieing breed and I don't believe anyone could fill his shoes he is an amazing business and family man who has made a big impact on the town of Mckinney he went to J.W Web as well as his kids and many grandkids and great grandkids the Sadlers are well known around mckinney for being honest hard working people and he is the one who instilled that in them and the world would be a much better place if the kids these days had role models like him
- As long as I can remember Duck Sadler has been a part of this community and has done many wonderful things for anyone who needed without concern for himself or cost...if a person needed and he heard abt it...that's all it took...worthy of this nomination and hopefully you guys will agree :) thanks for your time and consideration for his name as a nominee.
- Not being originally from Texas, I married into the Sadler family. Everywhere I am recognized as a "Sadler" I am told about what a caring and giving man Duck Sadler is. He is very well known in the McKinney area for having Sadler wrecking yard and Sadler towing for many years. I always hear the stories of how he was always helping out the people of McKinney over the years. His name is very well known for being a caring and compassionate man.

## **ATTACHMENT C**

### **Ebby Halliday Park**

Ebby Halliday was a pioneering real estate agent and founder of Ebby Halliday real estate brokerage in Dallas. She passed away in 2015 at the age of 104. Her company does about 19,000 transactions a year worth \$6.6 billion in sales, and there are 1,700 sales associates to ensure it remains the tenth largest independently-owned residential real estate company in the country. Ebby agents are scattered all over McKinney and Collin County as well as brokerages in the area. Ebby made a point of keeping it classy and expected her sales associates to do the same. (Thou shall not reveal thy cleavage, was one of her commandments). Great woman and great contributor to our area. I work for Highland Homes and deal with Ebby Realtors on a daily basis, and they are some of the best around - in part because Ebby only hires the best and her training program set high standards. Ebby was also a philanthropist of the highest order in our area. She's a great role model for young ladies (and mature ones, as well) for breaking through the glass ceiling. Well deserving, in my opinion.

## **ATTACHMENT D**

### **George Webb**

George Webb joined the McKinney Jaycees the 1st month he moved to McKinney in 1951 and this was the beginning of a life-long involvement in this community. It was at this time George was instrumental in coordinating an effort by the Jaycees to open the city's first recreation center on McMakin street. This building was offered to the City as a facility that the city could manage and allow its citizens to use for recreation purposes. At this time, the City turned down the offer stating that the city was not in the parks and recreation business. The Jaycees leased the building for \$1/year from the Texas Textile Foundation and allowed the citizens and youth of this city to enjoy community activities. It was for this effort, George was recognized as "Citizen of the Year" in 1954 because of his energy, his enthusiasm and his vision.

He owned North Side Pharmacy for 50+ years. Through the pharmacy he was able to help many youth pursue careers whether it was through employment or just encouragement. George served in many leadership roles such as President of Jaycees, president of the junior chamber of commerce, the 1st president of the Downtown Improvement Association, served six years on the MISD board, board of directors of Holy Family School, served as a member of the City Traffic Commission, Parks and Recreations Board, the downtown merchants, McKinney Rotary Club, First United Methodist Church trustees.

George Webb was not only involved in community activities but he was involved in the Texas Pharmacy Association where he served as President and was also recognized as "Pharmacist of the Year" by the state association.

In the 65 years that George Webb has lived in McKinney, he has been the recipient of "Citizen of the Year" in 1954 and then again in 2005, he has received the MCDC Quality of Life award in 2007.

Thank you for considering George Webb in the process of naming the new park.

# ATTACHMENT E

## Grady Littlejohn Park

- He has worked and maintained the softball fields since 1955.. I remember playing softball from age 5 to teens and he was always there.. Grady is a good man and was very hard working!
- Because he is the legend of boys base ball and girls soft ball. A great man indeed.Grady gave his heart and dedication to so many of our young adults. Grady was open and kind hearted and loved and loved every one he meet..
- He devoted years to young people and mckinney naseball
- He is a great man and so many people remember him at the ball field.
- For his hard work for the girl's softball and the boy's baseball teams. He started this in 1955.
- Years of love he gave for the community for the ball fields, I can't see anyone more deserving, respect
- Great role model and was involved with the youth of mckinney
- When you hear the name Mouzon park...you think of Mr. Grady.
- He supported our youth in so many ways. If the children did not have money to pay at the concession he would just give it to. Grady was a loving and caring person who loved and supported our young people.
- Mr. Littlejon was a great person who worked the concession stands at many parks in mckinney. He was such a character and many kids grew up knowing him. Those kids are now grown members of this same community. I have seen many people recall with great joy the memories he brings to them.
- One of the greatest guy I have ever known. .Loved baseball and was always there for all the players, young or old. He deserves it. .
- Grady Littlejohn ran concessions, organized umpires and supported baseball, softball and soccer in McKinney for decades. He was a tremendous supporter for the youth of McKinney and beloved member of the community who attended the park games and events.
- He was always there when I was playing softball 40 something years ago, plus I worked the concession stands for him while in High School. I think it would be quite an honor to name a park after him for all that he has done and represented for the City of McKinney.
- He was a wonderful guy, very out going, and very devoted to helping people out.
- Such a great man ,formed many boys and girls ball teams and ran the concessions at the ball parks when our two sons played ball and he always took such great care of all of the kids. I saw him numerous times give food,sodas and candy to children that didn't have any money. McKinney should feel honored to have a park named after this great man !
- He was the Godfsth of McKinney sports but more so with girls softball.. I had 3 girls play for years and the also helped out as needed in concessions to ensure all McKinney residents were served!
- He was a staple in the community for many many years. many memories connected to this honorable man!
- For his contributions to youth baseball in McKinney for decades..
- Grady was instrumental in youth sports. He was always present...seemingly at every field each night. He always had an inviting smile and shook everyone's hand. He deserves this recognition!!
- He was King of the McKinney concession stands while I was growing up. I have never seen anyone love the job and serving people more. He loved anyone & everyone & would give you the shirt off his back or anything from the concession stand you might need. There has never been another better than Grady!
- Did so much for softball - adults & little league. Was always st the fields & loved by all.



- Mr. Grady was involved in starting the Little League Baseball in McKinney and, later, running all of the concession stands, starting with Muzon Park. He was known for his cowboy hat and Cadillac. Mr. Grady was a mentor to the children of McKinney and a friend to all who knew him. He was a loving husband, friend, and father.
- He dedicated so many years to McKinney youth and serving at the parks
- Unwavering dedication to youth sports for many decades!
- This would be a great way to honor a man who worked so hard to make girl's softball and boy's baseball so successful. He started in 1955.  
I played on his softball team.
- Grady was a staple at all of the ball fields in McKinney for many years. He ran the concession stands and was a constant support for softball and baseball teams in the area. I grew up in McKinney and spent many nights at those fields in my youth, even working for Grady for a little while. When I think of the ball parks in McKinney I instantly think of Grady. His name is synonymous in my mind with the softball and baseball parks of the area.
- Grady was a large part of McKinney Parks and Rec from the beginning. He started girls softball. He served a lifetime on the boys baseball board. He brought concessions to the ballpark. As McKinney expanded he made sure there were concessions at all sporting events. And it was quality concessions at a reasonable price. Grady was all about opportunities to help children become responsible people. Everyone loved Grady!
- Because Grady WAS McKinney Little League for so many years! All the players, coaches, and parents involved with the Little League, Girl's Softball, and many other adult Leagues in McKinney loved and admired Grady. Can't even imagine attending a game when he wasn't there!
- Grady Littlejohn, was one of the founders of little league baseball in McKinney. he would be at the baseball park everyday until it would close. for as long as I can remember
- He was McKinney parks. He was all about kids. Gave me my first baseball team at the aged of 17. It kept me off the streets and I became the longest baseball commissioner - 5 years. Grady had faith in me as he has with so many others. For over 50 years of friendship, I would do anything for Grady and his family. Nothing but respect and love for Grady.
- He worked at the parks in mckinney for years
- Countless hours and dedication working with McKinney youth sports.
- He did more for McKinney youth sports than anyone and deserves a park named after him.
- Great man who was a key figure in the lives of so many kids and their families.
- Grady littlejohn has been a big part in my life and as well as every baseball/ softball/soccer players lives. Grady was a person that enjoyed what he did and pretty much was the the person that gave teenagers a place to work as their first jobs. Any time I go to a ball park I think of Grady and all the times he would come out of the concession stands and just walk around and talk to the people. Grady was a big part of McKinney history as far as the baseball fields.
- He was the best man who took care of all the ballpark con. Stands in McKinney at all the ball games and one awesome guy. He should be honored by McKinny TX.
- He was very know for all he did in the community of softball and baseball a park named after him would be a honor. He was respectful, fair, and treat everybody as a equal.
- He has done so much for the community and the parks.
- He contributed to the youth of McKinney for decades through the little league program.
- Grady had one of the biggest and kindest hearts I have ever known. He loved kids and he loved baseball/tee ball/softball. For years he was a part of the lives of countless families that played or watched games.Even if you did not know him he treated you as a good friend.He made sure that kids who might not have had a chance to play ball did get to play. It would be so appropriate for a park to be named for him. I really am surprised that one hasn't been already.

- Because he was a wonderful promoter of youth sports- girls and boys. His tireless dedication to running the concessions stands for all those girls softball and boys baseballs games in the community. To this day- the concessions stands are truly an icon and needed for the games. His legacy (26 yrs ago is when I meet him) before and I met him - continues today. As the schools and parks are named for those that went above and beyond to provide for our youth - Grady stands right there with that elite group. How fitting to name a park after a community member that was a staple and icon at do many parks/youth events around McKinney for years!
- A well known local who ran the ball fields when I was growing up. Everyone knew him and you can't say his name around people that grew up in McKinney without someone having a story to tell about him. Awesome guy.
- Grady was present in the lives of so many kids when I grew up in McKinney in the 1960's and 70's. He gave me my first job in his concession stand at Mouzon park while my brothers played baseball. He was always doing something good for the kids of McKinney.
- Well known and liked by McKinney locals
- He served our community his entire life.
- He knew a lot of the players that have played on all the McKinney fields. He was always willing to help players with a free drink or if they could not pay there way to be able to pay to play. He was just an awesome man.
- Grady was a long time fixture in McKinney and gave generously of his time and energy at the ball park. As kids playing ball, we loved Grady and I can't think of any other person who personified the spirit of service, peace, recreation and kindness that parks are meant to provide a community. Please consider honoring the community by naming a park after our friend, father, and grandfather, Grady Littlejohn. Thank you, Blake Boyd
- Grady Littlejohn was a tremendous influence on girls' softball during his lifetime. He encouraged, cheered, and mentored countless children in McKinney. Naming a park after him would be a wonderful memorial to a wonderful man.
- He was a wonderful mentor to young children growing up. He gave many countless hours helping Girl's play softball. He was a kind and well respected man . We lived at New Hope and so did he and he always gave as much of his time to always help other's .
- He is a great man that did and has done great things for the city of McKinney and it's community.
- He was not only a native of McKinney but he also did alot for the community and the ballparks.
- Grady Littlejohn was a McKinney town man who started in 1955, working to make the girl's softball and boys baseball so successful in McKinney. Grady Littlejohn promoted all things baseball for the summer leagues in McKinney. It was he that was very involved in getting girl's softball going and worked his whole life to make the fields better each year so children would have someplace and something to do during the summer months. And it later expanded into other times of the year.
- He worked hard for the boys and girls of McKinney to promote softball and baseball. He deserves to be remembered.
- Grady Littlejohn was an icon of the community's parks and rec if you grew up in McKinney! He was involved with girls softball and boys baseball since the 1950's. He ran a concession stand for many years that touched everyone's lives in McKinney. I can't think of a more appropriate name for a park than Grady Littlejohn.
- My husband and I have lived in McKinney all our life 65 years. My husband, myself and both of our sons played sports in McKinney Grady was always there , He loved all the kids and parents. We would be so happy to see a park named after the amazing man!

- Grady Littlejohn gave his life to the ball fields of McKinney. I played softball in McKinney from age 10 until I was 40. Grady was still working the ball fields. He deserves to be recognized for his years of dedication and hard work for the kids and adults of McKinney who knew him. Please consider his name to be honored on behalf of his family who continues to reside and have a business in our home town. Thank you!
- He was a fixture at mckinney baseball games for many years. Ran the consessoon stands for many many years. He was a great servent of youth in Mskinney.
- This gentleman played a role in the lives of many people here in McKinnney and he deserves recognition for all of his efforts.
- Grady worked and operated concession stands in all athletic facilities for Mckinney for years and supported all youth programs in Mckinney.
- He was instrumental in setting up the girls softball and the boys baseball when I was a young girl
- Mr. Littlejohn started the concessions business for girl's softball and boy's baseball in McKinney in 1955 and carried that work on till his death a few years ago. There isn't a person that grew up playing softball or baseball in McKinney during those many years that didn't know and love Mr. Littlejohn. His efforts and hard work helped make the ball parks and little leagues successful in McKinney. I know my friends and I looked forward to our time at the ballparks because of those concession snacks we would get and also to visit with Mr. Littlejohn.

You didn't think of baseball and softball season in McKinney without connecting that with Mr. Littlejohn.

- Mr Littlejohn was a native of McKinney and always made sure the parks were always ready for game night. He knew every child's parents and made sure that child made it home safely. Mouzan park was his and Mckinneys all time favorite pastime.
- From the 1960's until the 90's every ball player knew Grady. He served on the board, helped prepare fields, and helped in all aspects of baseball. His concession stand served world famous "Grady dogs". Grady truly loved every kid that played in McKinney and our city itself. No one could be more deserving of this honor.
- Grady Littlejohn began working for the girls softball and boys baseball leagues back in 1955. I had a softball player and a baseball player go through the McKinney organizations and there is no doubt that Grady Littlejohn is a big reason these programs flourished. Honoring Grady Littlejohn is way overdue. Please honor a man who loved McKinney and worked tirelessly to develop baseball and soft ball programs that are envied throughout the state of Texas.
- Grady was dedicated to the youth of McKinney for 50 years. I went through the McKinney youth sports leagues as a kid and the one constant I remember is Grady Littlejohn. I can't think of a better name to use for a youth based facility.
- Because of his tireless efforts to provide a safe and fun atmosphere at the ballparks for all the kids who played softball and baseball.
- Grady had a major influence on the children in McKinney during my generation. He was involved in all activities in McKinney that involved girl's softball and boy's baseball. If it was a ball game, parade, school activity, he and his wife were always working at the activity.
- He was the anchor and signature of all baseball and softball sense 1955 to his death in early 2000's. Not sure of exact year. As a kid playing baseball he was the guy that bed all the kids, parents, coaches. He kept the concessions and much more together around the parks. Morison and North Park where the only 2 main parks in the 70's when I played little league ball. But I know I saw him grow at other parks as the city grew. No doubt he is an icon for those of us who played little league sports from the 60'- early 2000's Better details can be re sieved from his daughter Stacy.
- He was a major factor getting boys and girls baseball started in McKinney.

- this man done so much for little league & adult ball. He never turned anyone away. My dad coached me growing up & then I coached my kids. Grady always had a concession stand open & would be there running it 24-7 if needed. This man had a heart of gold & was loved by everyone.
- Grady was a fixture at city parks from the 1950s through the 1990s with his concession stands. He served several generations of McKinney residents. I would venture to say no one spent as much time in McKinney parks as Grady did please take his name under consideration

Best,  
Joe Jaynes

- I supported and lead many sports for children of McKinney for years.
- He worked at the baseball fields since 1955 and was an important part of McKinneys past
- Contribution to boys and girls ball in McKinne
- Because Grady has been apart of this city, million of kids and family for a million years. He is loved by many!!
- Where do I start. I can remember Grady at the ball fields as far back as my mind will go back. Grady is North Park & Mouzon. My father, his cousins played ball at North Park & Mouzon, my brothers, cousins, childhood friends as well as myself grew up playing ball at those 2 ball fields and Grady watched & cheered us all on. He was family to all those who played ball back in the 70's to the time he died. He watched my brothers and cousins play ball from young kids to adults playing ball. GRADY LITTLEJOHN IS MCKINNEY and a park/ball field should be named in his honor.
- Great man, devoted his life to McKinney Sports.
- Grady Littlejohn was born in McKinney, most will remember Grady for his involmnet in starting the Little League Baseball in McKinney and, later, running all of the concession stands, starting with Muzon Park. Grady was a mentor to the children of McKinney and a friend to all who knew him.
- He was a man well loved in the community and a had a history in McKinney
- Made Bb what it is in mckinney back in the day,such a sweet guy !
- He is a man who anyone original to this town knows without a doubt. He was a public figure until the day he died. He loved kids and it showed in many way. He would make sure kids had what they needed even if he had to buy it himself. Grady was well liked by all and a well respected man.
- Service to the community
- He has been an institution in the concession business since 1955 in Mxkinney. He knew his business and was a constant at Mouzon Park when I was growing up in Mck
- the ball fields were part of my childhood, from my parents playing to me playing and Grady was always there. He was a great man and such an inspiration to McKinney. He made the balls fields what they are and honestly they haven't been the same since he's been gone. He was a good man and deserves this.
- Mr. Littlejohn was a very giving man with his time and of himself for the softball and little league teams in McKinney for many many years. I think it would honor him and his family if the new Park was named after him.
- He did so much for us kids. He was always there for us and will always be in our hearts!
- He did a lot for young kids
- Grady Littlejohn gave his life to the ball fields of McKinney. My three kids grew up in McKinney playing softball and baseball. They all knew Grady at the fields and as a friend of the family. He deserves to be recognized for his years of dedication and hard work for the kids of McKinney. Please consider his name to be honored on behalf of his family who continues to reside and have a business in our home town. Thank you!
- As a McKinney kid in the 70's, I spent countless nights at city ballparks, mostly Mouzon Park, watching my brother and friends play ball. Over the years, the teams changed, but one thing stayed the same: Grady Littlejohn. It is no exaggeration to say that I still remember the smells and taste of snocones, bubble gum, and hot dogs. Grady Littlejohn was ALWAYS there. By naming a ballpark after him, he will continue to "be there" for other McKinney kids.

- He gave his life to the concession stands
- The name Grady Littlejohn fields will be a great name due to Grady being a wonderful influence to many boys & girls from t-ball age to 18.. He was always looking out for us all and a great leader for many..
- In 1955 my dad, Grady Littlejohn, got permission from the City of McKinney to start a Girls Softball Little League, as there was only a Boys Baseball League in McKinney at the time. Permission was granted to him, if he would be responsible for securing coaches. There was no funding available, so dad set the league up at his own expense. The only field the city had available for use at the time for the new league was a field without lights (we played day games on Saturday) located on the grounds of the JC Center, on McDonald at the South end of town. There were no concession stand or rest rooms. Dad recruited coaches and assistant coaches, and they met at our house, Since I was in elementary school at the time, I don't remember many of the coaches names, except Art McNeil, W.D. Duckworth and Freddy Hackney. I do remember them making brackets and dad the coaches making an enrollment form for Girls Softball that was placed in all the elementary and junior high schools. I remember dad and the other volunteer coaches placing all the completed forms in a container and drawing out forms to form their separate teams.

My friends and I had a great time playing summer ball. I played for 7 years. We had no uniforms, and volunteer umpires, such as Dr. Marshall Searcy. What fun the girls of McKinney had playing ball, thanks to my dad, Grady Littlejohn.

Later, after I was grown, Dad applied for and won the contract to furnish concessions for the ball parks of McKinney. He won that contract and renewal contracts. He did this for over 20 years, until he retired.

Mayor Ben Whisenant declared one lovely summer day Grady Littlejohn Day in McKinney, in recognition of his life long service to little league in McKinney.

Grady Littlejohn is deceased. I can think of no one more deserving of having a McKinney park named after him; he would have been so proud to be honored in this way.

- Grady Littlejohn is the person I think of when Girl's Softball or Boy's Baseball is mentioned.
- I still remember him at EVERY GAME in East McKinney when I was a kid. Good man! Meant a lot to all kids and their parents. All of my nephews and cousins played for Grady.
- I grew up in McKinney in my youth and young adult days. Grady was always there for all the ball players when I was a child playing baseball. He was devoted and worked hard for the youth of McKinney. He gave his time and thoughtfulness to all of us kids back then and made sure we had a safe clean place to play ball. It would be an honor to name this field after him and maybe some of the young today could learn about how Grady gave his devotion for the kids of McKinney.
  - There is not enough room in this box to type why Grady Littlejohn's name should be used to name a park. My first meeting with Grady was at Mouzon Ballpark concession stand, where I went to get my post game drink. From that point on he made a significant impact on my life and many other childrens lives. As a youngster and as an adult I worked for Grady in the concession stands. He is/was a loving, giving, humorous man that loved everyone and gave 200% in anything he did. He was and still is respected as Great man with a Big heart.
  - Because he was forever making sure everyone was able to eat before and after games. As Coaches and Parents sometimes we didn't have time to make breakfast. He always had what we liked to eat. He was a good man.

- It was my privilege to have worked with Grady Littlejohn while serving as Director of Parks & Recreation for the City of McKinney from 1984 to 2001. During this time period Grady managed and operated the parks concessions stands for the McKinney Parks & Recreation Department. However, Grady's commitment to the youth of McKinney began in 1955 when he initiated the formation of the Girls Softball leagues at Mouzon Park in east McKinney. Grady's dedication and commitment played a major role in the growth and expansion on not only girls softball association, youth soccer and boy's baseball. Later on Grady became the concessionaire and operated concession stands at Mouzon, North Park, Town Lake and the Wilson Creek Soccer Complexes for over 30 years. I have witnessed on many occasions where a child who did not have enough money for a soft drink or piece of candy, Grady would make sure that these children would walk away with a soft drink or a piece of candy. Grady and his assistant Kim (Flip) Phillips dedicated many years of service by serving on the Girls Softball Association Board of Directors. Grady's continued support allowed for the expansion and increased quality of the Girls Softball Association. While operating the parks concession stands Grady hired hundreds of McKinney youth and gave them their first job experience working as a concession stand employee. Grady loved the City of McKinney and worked hard to provide children and their parents with quality concession services. I am honored to present my recommendation to the City of McKinney and to give honor and recognition to one of McKinney's most dedicated citizens.
- I spent many many hours at the baseball parks and soccer fields growing up. Grady Littlejohn and his concession stand was always there. He was a great supporter of the youth sports programs and their families. Mouzon Park was empty when Grady wasn't there.

I worked for Grady for many years. I remember a man who would stop by Mouzon at the end of the night. Grady would send him home with hot dogs, chili, cheese, and chips. He would only say, "sometimes good people need a little help." He was always giving to the park visitors.

Grady devoted his life to the youth of McKinney and encouraged great teamwork and sportsmanship. The city should honor his love for the city by naming a park, that I am sure he would spend hours cheering at if he could, after Grady Littlejohn.

- Grady was a great person and helped anyone that needed it , can't think of a more deserving person
- Grady's longtime presence and involvement with McKinney parks.
- Mr. Littlejohn was McKinney parks. He kept all the parks up and running. He was a huge proponent of girls' softball and boys' baseball. The parks and kids' sports were his life.
- Grady Littlejohn worked many years to help girl's softball and boy's baseball to be successful in McKinney.
- Grady is an icon in McKinney. Always dedicated his time and love for the recreational outdoor family fun ...since 1955.  
I saw him at each softball game I played in and at each game I watched from 1970's and 80's
- Grady Littlejohn started working with the youth in the 1950"s at the old Jaycee center before it was re-named the community center. sometime in the 90,s, Mayor Whisenant declared !Grady Littlejohn Day, for having started the girls softball league
- Because of his enduring efforts to bring baseball and softball to the kids of McKinney
- Grady began his association with Parks and Rec in the 50's. He ran all of the concession stands in McKinney for decades. Anyone who played baseball,softball,and soccer knew Grady and what a good person he was and how many 1000's of kids and adults he influenced.
- Grady started Girls Softball for McKinney in 1955.
- Grady was instrumental in coaching and helping the kids of McKinney for many many years. And he ran all the concession stands for years.
- Grady was a fixture at McKinney parks for years. He influenced thousands of kids and adults by his example of fair play and interest in athletics.

- Only recently moving from McKinney, I was born here and lived my entire life. I am a former player, coach, and President of and in McKinney Boys Baseball Association. For over 50 yrs., Grady Littlejohn did more for the youth of McKinney than anyone I know during that span. Many times he would pay for registration fees out of his own pocket. He would also gladly make sure anyone who came to one of his concession stands had something to eat or drink even if they couldn't pay for it. When I think of Boys baseball in McKinney, there is no one that is more in the front of my mind than Grady. If the City of McKinney does not honor this man with a park name, then I say shame on our current leadership. Please consider Grady Littlejohn's name for our next park.
- Grady Littlejohn spent countless hours working with youth softball and baseball in McKinney! And no telling how many hours selling us cotton candy and sodas in his legendary concession stands.
- Grady Littlejohn is a trademark name in McKinney Texas. Any adult and kid knew him and loved him for his giving nature to little league sports. Even adult softball. He is a legend in McKinney TX and it would be a honor to have the newest park named after him. I moved to Van Alstyne 2 years ago from being in McKinney since 2nd grade. He's known all over north Texas for his caring and generosity and giving to the community of McKinney.
- Grady was a staple in the recreation area of McKinney since 1955! He actually started the little league baseball program in McKinney. Anyone who spent time with softball or baseball knew the name Grady Littlejohn. He helped manage all the ball fields and concession stands in McKinney. He started with Muzon park and ended up running them all. I grew up in McKinney and played ball both in McKinney League and school leagues. I was a part of the boys club as well and Grady Littlejohn was always present. Grady was a mentor to children and a friend to all that knew him. I would ask that you strongly consider this man's memory to live on within the parks and recreation area of McKinney.
- Grady was one of a kind he always had that cowboy hat on he never met a stranger he would build up your confidence and make everyone feel important he was always saying what a great parks department McKinney had and encouraged boys and girls to play sports
- I knew Grady very well. Grady helped start and keep little league softball going in McKinney. He spent many hours and much of his own money to help provide for many to play ball. Grady would actually personally pickup any ball player that didn't have transportation.

In addition, Grady ran the concessions later and no child went away without a treat if they had no money or where short on money.

Grady was a true man of integrity, his love for youngsters was amazing.

Personally, I believed in would be a great honor to Grady, no one loved the kids or the game better than Grady Littlejohn!

- He started the McKinney girls softball league
- Grady was a man that made a difference in the lives of thousands of kids. Not only did he runs the concession stands of Mckinney for many years but he also helped many people in need amd was a friend to all.
- Naming a park after GRADY LITTLEJOHN would be a great way to honor a man who worked so hard, since 1955 to make girl's softball and boy's baseball so successful. He was a wonderful man and we don't need to forget his dedication to this community.
- Grady was such a positive influence on the youth of McKinney.
- GRADY LITTLEJOHN WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN STARTING GIRLS SOFTBALL IN MCKINNEY

WHEN HE OPENED HIS CONCESSION STANDS HE GAVE FREE HOT DOGS AND COLD DRINKS TO KIDS WHO COULD NOT AFFORD THEM.

HE HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SPORTS AND THE PEOPLE IN MCKINNEY SINCE HIS CHILDREN WERE YOUNG

- Grady Littlejohn was my Father. He started girl's softball in McKinney in the mid 1950's. Later he opened Littlejohn's Concessions at Mouzon Park. He helped the city by turning the lights on and off every night. There was never a city employee assigned to the ball parks because Dad made sure the lights were turned off at night and locked. He later ran the concession stands at North Park, Town Lake, and Gabe Nesbit Park. Dad gave many students in McKinney their first jobs. He taught them how to count change, how to be on time and to be a responsible young adult. He was my Dad, but he was a gift to all the youth of McKinney.
- He started little league ball, founded and worked concessions, supported children playing and parents watching. A fixture in this town
- He began working for McKinney Girl's softball in 1955... And he spent the rest of his life dedicated to the organization ! He WAS McKinney Girl's Softball!
- Grady was a very influential person with our youth for 50+years in McKinney! He started the (MBBA Boys Baseball Association) now known as the MBA Baseball Association and McKinney Girl's Softball Association in 1955. Both of the Association were instrumental to our youth in making a difference in their lives. Grady made sure each child had a glove and uniforms even if they couldn't pay, it was that important to him!! So many kids grew up with Grady being a part of their lives and had the opportunity to have their children and grandchildren have him be a part as well. Grady also ran all our City Concession Stands at all Baseball/Softball/Soccer Complexes from 1955 till 2005, I for one worked for him for 30 years and I learned a lot about the direction I wanted my life to go, I wanted to give back as much as he had to our youth of McKinney and watch them grow into the adults they have.

Grady would never leave a child hungry or behind, he always made sure they ate while at the fields, money or not, and that they had a way home!

He was very active with the McKinney Parks and Recreation even before there was one establish in the city.

Please consider Grady Littlejohn for this honor it is LONG overdue!

Sincerely,

Flip Phillips

- Grady many years of involvement with the concessions at Muzon and Towne Lake plus many many anonymous donations he made to kids in the city who couldn't afford a glove or other equipment.
- When I was a child growing up in McKinney, playing softball and watching baseball at Mouzon Field, Grady Littlejohn comes to mind as the iconic figure in that place. Not only was he there as the concessions contractor, his children played on those fields. His daughter pitched to me on those fields with Grady close by coaching at first or third base. I can think of no McKinneyite more deserving of being honored with having a park named for him. He was the "Mr. Baseball" of my childhood and for several generations. Grady Littlejohn Park would be a grand name for carrying the heritage of McKinney parks and rec into the future.
- Grady was a staple at every baseball game my children played at in McKinney. Always with a kind heart and words of advice for the kids. My son is now 31 years old and still has fond memories of playing baseball and the many trips we made to the concession stand. My daughters would make multiple trips to concessions just to say hi to Grady and Flip.
- Mr. Grady was a long time, well known, very loved man throughout McKinney. He was extremely involved in the entire community and was always willing to help anyone. I was born and raised here and Mr. Grady deserves this honor!



- Mr. Littlejohn was a fixture and pillar of the McKinney community for over four decades. For the majority of his professional life he lived and worked around the parks in the City of McKinney. He started girls little league softball so his own daughters could play. Later he went on to manage multiple concession stands around the city for little league sports of all stripes. During his working life you would have been hard pressed to find someone in the city that did not have a fond memory of "Old Grady." He could be found giving young children a sweet treat or words of encouragement as they played little league ball. Later as adults these same children would come back to see him there as their children played little league ball. His longevity of service made him a consistent reminder of community and family for McKinney, and as such he would be an outstanding namesake for the new park.
- Grady Littlejohn was a fixture for McKinney Boys and Girls since 1955. He was instrumental in beginning Girls Softball in McKinney and continued his service until he passed away. This man deserves to be honored.
- He was such a force in promoting your softball and baseball in mckinney.
- He was responsible for growing McKinney boys and girls baseball into what it has become today. He was a very active person helping and encouraging kids of all ages to make baseball part of their family lives. He devoted many years to the great game of baseball.
- Mr. Littlejohn was a significant contributor to baseball and softball in McKinney. He started in 1955 and continued until his death. Anytime you were at the ball fields, he was there. He would help as many kids as he could.
- Grady Littlejohn was a McKinney icon. I can't think of a childhood memory at the baseball fields that doesn't involve him. This would be my playing days and then my now 21year old sons. Grady was a kind, giving, upstanding member of the community that would give anything to help others or make them smile.
- Grady Littlejohn was a man that is a huge part of many of our pasts. He ran concessions at Mouzon ball fields as well as Northpark ball fields. He was a wonderful man that always went the extra mile.
- Grady worked concession stands as far back as I can remember playing little league baseball at Mouzon Park and then Town Lake. There may be a number of qualified nominations, would like to add Grady to the list.
- Grady Littlejohn was very influential in making girls softball and boys baseball programs great in McKinney. He was loved by many people and played a big role in providing great programs and complexes for young people to play sports.
- Grady was instrumental in getting softball started and kept in running in McKinney. He would help any child and often hauled the all the softball girls to practice. Grady also help being boys softball in McKinney. He cared about the kids and tried to create something to keep the kiddos busy and out of trouble. He was very important to McKinney, McKinney History and McKinney's youth.
- Grady started girls softball in Mckinney in the 50's. He was involved with kids sports in McKinney for 60+ years. Most kids during these years and their parents knew the person and name Grady Littlejohn. He was respected by the city and parents in this city. My daughter Flip Phillips started working for him when she was 12 years old and continued working for him for 30+ years and developed great love and respect for Grady. I believe many people would be excited and happy to have the park named after him.
- This man created the baseball and softball opportunity for all of us in McKinney and he gave me my first job working in his concession stands! He taught me to work hard and each summer he gave me more and more responsibility. He was a man that taught the kids of the eighties to hard work. He had ethics and integrity.
- IN THE EARLY DAYS OF OUR PARKS AND RECREATION SYSTEM, GRADY LITTLEJOHN WAS NOT ONLY THE CONCESSTONAIRE, HE WAS OUR MAINTINENCE PERSON, UMPIRE AND UNPAID YOUTH DIRECTOR.
- He was an icon to all kids in McKinney in 50's, 60's, 70's and longer and he spent all his time at the parks. Well deserved.

- Grady Littlejohn was an outstanding member of the McKinney community for most of his life. He ran the concessions at almost every baseball/soccer park in McKinney for over 40 years and was a major contributor to the start of all baseball/softball teams started in McKinney.
- Grady Littlejohn was an outstanding member of the McKinney community for most of his life. He ran the concessions at almost every baseball/soccer park in McKinney for over 40 years and was a major contributor to the start of the youth league baseball/softball teams started in McKinney.
- Mr. Littlejohn should be honored with the park named after him because he was an asset to the community for many years and was respected by many.
- He was the first man to run all the ball fields, his assistants name was Flip Phillips
- Grady was a fixture in McKinney and was a positive influence on thousands of kids who participated in city sports.
- Grady Littlejohn dedicated his life to creating McKinney girls' softball and boys' baseball! He coached and mentored hundreds of kiddos over the years. He also made sure that we were always "fed" while at the ballpark! I ate many meals out of his concession stands over the years! He is the person I associate Mouzon or North Park ballfields with, and always will. Grady always found time to step out of the concession to watch a little baseball and always sure to pass on words of encouragement. I would love to see a park named after Mr. Grady Littlejohn.
- He was a great man in McKinney and touched a lot of lives here.
- He deserves it after all the volunteer hours
- Many years of work with the softball/ baseball for children
- This man started McKinney youth baseball over 40 years ago.
- He was a beloved individual & vendor who was always there for the teams and the players who were on those teams & families. He was a ballpark fixture for decades.
- Grady was a historic name in McKinney & he made such an impact on many children's lives. My children grew up spending so many hours with him @ Mouzon Ballpark. The memories we have will always be very special to us.

## **ATTACHMENT F**

### **Joe Odle Park**

The name Odle has always been a prominent, well known and respected name throughout Collin County. Odle Taxi was a very important business throughout the county in the forties, fifties and sixties. Joe Odle worked the business for many years. He and his nephew Charles Jones owned a shop in downtown McKinney called The Second Time Around. He also ran an auction in Collin County for many years. He was well known as a country and western singer throughout Collin County. He played every Saturday night on the Big D Jamboree in Dallas and recorded 2 records in Nashville. Aqua Velvet Gown and Little Pink Elephants. But the one thing he will always be remembered for is the fastest softball pitcher in Collin County. He played on a semi-pro team in the forties and played with the East McKinney Christian Church for many years as their pitcher. He has 3 sons Darrell, Ronnie and Brett Odle. He coached little league throughout their whole lives and made a big difference in the lives of many young boys like Gabe Nesbit, Danny Spears and Jerry McKinney just to name a few. He coached all of his grandsons as well. Joe was very dedicated and loved sports. He coached all 3 sons even until adulthood. He coached them until his health began to fail him in the mid-nineties. Joe was a supervisor at the City of McKinney Water Dept for many years and also worked as an electrician at the North Texas Water District until his retirement.

## **ATTACHMENT G**

### **Mack Moran Hill, MD**

I would like to nominate my father, Dr. Mack Moran Hill, as a candidate to have a park or public facility named in his honor. He has spent his life contributing to the city of McKinney, and I believe it is time for the city of McKinney to honor him.

Mack is a fifth generation McKinney-ite, and is a direct descendent of some of McKinney's founding families, the Graves, the Hill's and the Bushes. He has lived here for 89 years except for time away at school and the military. He grew up in McKinney and graduated from the old Boyd High School. For college, he attended TCU which also has McKinney roots. He was in his second year at TCU when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor. There was a great need for doctors so he joined the Navy and attended Baylor Medical School in Houston graduating at the age of 23.

After an internship in Fort Worth, he served in Guam, and then joined the USS Piedmont, AD 17 in Manila. Ten days later, this vessel became part of the 7th fleet that President Truman ordered to guard the Straits of Formosa. Later, while he was stationed in California, he met the love of his life, Anne Wilks. They married, and his final assignment in the Navy was at Fort Campbell, KY. Their first child, Martha, was born there. And it was there, he decided to specialize in pediatrics.

Mack enrolled at UT Southwestern in Dallas to complete his residency. Their second child, Ben was born during that time. With such deep roots and extensive family in McKinney, it was natural that he and Anne decided to return to McKinney to open a private practice. There wasn't a single pediatrician in Collin County much less McKinney at the time, and he really felt he could serve the health needs of the children. Antibiotics and vaccinations were still in the infancy stage of development and unheard of in many rural areas. He would make a difference.

After opening the doors in an office where the new McKinney Public Library now stands downtown, very few patients dropped in for an appointment. Mack, concerned, consulted his good friend and pharmacist, George Webb, as to what might be the problem. George suggested he change his sign from "Pediatrician"• to doctor for "Children and Infants".• After all, nobody really knew what the term pediatrician meant since there had never been one. Once the sign was changed, there was never an empty seat in the office waiting area again. The rest is history. Dr. Hill operated an enormously successful pediatric practice for the next 25 years.

Times were certainly different. Independent labs didn't exist. House calls weren't a daily part of the routine, but they certainly weren't uncommon if there was a need. People rarely had health insurance, and if they did, they filed their own claims. The county or city would occasionally bring an inmate to his residence if there was an emergency after hours. No one was ever turned away..ever. Payment was sometimes something straight from the garden. And everyone knew that if Dr. Hill wasn't at the office, they could call him at home no matter what the hour. He would answer.

In addition to serving the children of Collin County, Dr. Hill has served the community. He was the city and county health officer for many years. He served on the McKinney Independent School Board

for 9 years.

He retired from practice in 1981, but that did not mean he would slow down. He has continued to serve in numerous community volunteer organizations and boards including his beloved First Christian Church where he has served as an elder, sung in the choir, taught Sunday school and served on the board. In 1993, he was named McKinney Chamber's "Citizen of the Year".• In 2007, he was awarded the McKinney Community Development "Quality of Life Award".• He has also served on the McKinney Boys & Girls Club board as well as the Red Cross.

He has served on the Pecan Grove Cemetery Board, the Chestnut Square Board in addition to the Collin Fannin Medical Association, as he did for many years. Over the years, he has been involved in McKinney Community Theatre and he in recent years participated in McKinney Summer Musicals. He is an active, long time member of both McKinney Kiwanas and McKinney Rotary Club.

Mack lovingly maintains and lives in the house his grandmother built in the historic district. It was originally the sight of the coral for the stagecoach to Sherman.

Dr. Hill was so connected to his patients, that even today, 34 years since he retired, former patients will stop him on the street and say "Hi Dr. Hill, remember me?".• What a wonderful legacy!

Since Dr Hill's life was dedicated to children, I thought it would be most fitting and appropriate if a park and /or playground be named in his honor. I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

Martha Hill Davis

## **ATTACHMENT H**

### **President Theodore "Teddy" Roosevelt**

The community streets are all named after Presidents, but President Theodore Roosevelt established the National Parks, leader of Conservation, Wild Life Preservation, & Environment Preservation that many of these laws are still in use today. He earned the name "Teddy" where all "Teddy Bears" are named after him & the Teddy Bear is adored by all children & families.

But also Texas was very dear to President Roosevelt's heart & he spent a lot of time in Texas & is very much a part of Texas history.

He was a President that won the Nobel Peace Award, his legacy has given us America's National Parks in preserving nature, preserving wildlife protection, preserving the environment, & his love & passion for wildlife forever has impacted America & the world where most everyone has had a "Teddy Bear".

McKinney's slogan is "Unique by Nature" & here is a beloved American President that had ensured the protection of nature & made a huge impact on Texas...as the state he loved most. I think that naming the park after him & having a standing plaque in the walking entry to educate, to inspire, & honor a leader that really encompasses McKinney's "Unique by Nature" statement that is in a park located in a presidential themed community.

This is that perfect center piece that speaks to the city, the community, & the visitors with an opportunity for our children to learn about an American leader that stood for America's beautiful nature & insured it would be protected for all future generations & his love for Texas. That because of his passion for wildlife & the lands they lived on...now everyone who visits the park will know & remember the "Teddy Bear" represent the love & passion of preserving nature for all to enjoy.

This park presents an opportunity to enjoy, but also to educate & truly embrace being "unique by nature", that the park's name ignites our children in wanting to learn more about President Roosevelt & American history where everytime they see or hug a Teddy Bear they think of nature & they know that it only takes one person with passion to change the world.

## **ATTACHMENT I**

### **Raymond Howell Jr.**

Raymond Howell Jr. was a resident of McKinney and student at McKinney Boyd High School, who passed away on 4/2/15. I believe that having a park named in remembrance of him would be a wonderful way to preserve his memory and allow his family and friends a place to visit to think of him. The circumstances of his passing were those of struggle and sadness, but a park is a bright and happy place, so I think the symbolism is important as well. It would serve as a reminder that there is always hope and that life is precious and important. I spoke with Raymond's mother, Chance Carter Howell, and she thanked me for submitting his name and said that she and Raymond's sisters (Amber and Aslynn Howell) would love that.

Thank you for your consideration,

Amy Schuttler

## **ATTACHMENT J**

### **Richard & Agnes Coughlin Park**

After serving in World War II and earning a Purple Heart in the Navy, Richard "Dick" Coughlin was hired to be the hospital administrator for Wysong Hospital, and his wife, Agnes, served as Head Nurse at the Wysong Nursing Center, where she cared for many generations of McKinney residents during her tenure. The Coughlins moved to McKinney from New York with two kids in the 1960s. Coughlin's civic involvement included serving on TMLs legislative committee, chairing the City's budget committee, and membership on the Board of Directors of the McKinney Industrial Foundation. Later, he was elected to the City Council and served as both Mayor Pro-tem and as Mayor during the 1970s and 1980s. Coughlin's leadership was instrumental during McKinney's initial growth years. He was most known for being an early advocate of quality growth west of US 75 when many at the time were resistant to the idea, and he also was a fearless champion of the McKinney airport. Richard passed in 2001, and his wife, Agnes (91 years), resides in McKinney near the Eldorado Country Club. Coughlin's legacy is one of quality westward expansion, being a proponent of economic prosperity and growth, a deep commitment to public service, and always encouraging McKinney to plan for the future, which is why the new park in Westridge (one of McKinney's most westward parks) is fitting and appropriate to be named after Richard & Agnes Coughlin.



## **ATTACHMENT K**

### **Sunny Wells Park**

I am submitting the name above to hopefully be able to have a place me, my children, my family, the community and the entire world can come enjoy. The name is after my sister Chin Sun Pak-Wells 'Sunny', who was active duty and proudly serving her country in the US Army. She heroically but tragically lost her life to the terrorist attack while being at her post in the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. This would be something that she would have been extremely proud of knowing that families were able to visit and just enjoy life. She never had a family of her own before her life was taken from us so very sudden and too soon. She loved children and if she could have been able to be the Aunt we all know she would have been, she would love to have been able to take them to a beautiful park. If she was still here with us, she would definitely enjoy visiting her nephews in McKinney. I could go on and on but I am submitting this form to hopefully have somewhere I can take my kids locally and see her name on something that is so significant and enjoyed by everyone that visits. Thank you so much for the consideration of using her beautiful name from such a beautiful person and for a beautiful park.