

OBITUARIES

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Friday, October 5, 2018

Bazel E. Crowe, 94



Bazel Ernest Crowe, age 94, passed away gently on Friday, October 5, 2018.

He was born on March 9, 1924 in Noland, Kentucky, to Ernest B Crowe and Ethel Bryant Crowe, the oldest child in a family of six children. Bazel grew up in and around Irvine, Kentucky, graduated in 1941 from Waco High School, and worked at the local A&P Grocery Store. He joined the United States Navy in order to further his education, attending Rice University and the University of Illinois. While stationed at Rice University in Houston, Bazel married Charlotte Evelyn Neville on October 25, 1945. The Navy then relocated them to Illinois where both Bazel and Charlotte finished their college degrees, Bazel earning a Bachelor degree in Civil Engineering.

After the Navy, Bazel and Charlotte stayed in Illinois where Bazel worked on several engineering projects in nearby cities as well as in Waco, Texas. This may have been the beginning of his desire to travel the globe. In 1958, the family moved to Florida where Bazel was the City Engineer in Largo and then City Manager of Key West. From there, they moved to Guam, Jamaica, and Bougainville, Papua, New Guinea; as well as Australia and Egypt. Finally, they settled in Houston, Texas, where Bazel began his civil engineering business. He stayed busy even in retirement with active participation in the Texas Society of Professional Engineers, Engineering Council of Hous-



Bazel Crowe

ton and the Society of Military Engineers. Bazel was instrumental in construction of a monument to the astronauts of the Space Shuttle Challenger.

Bazel is survived by two of his three children, Robert Crowe and Richard Crowe (Janet); his five grandchildren, Rachel, Walter, Michael, Kristina and Scott; a sister, Anita Jones; and a brother, Leo Crowe.

He is preceded in death by Charlotte, his loving wife of 72 years, his parents; three of his five siblings, Sibyl Jones, Pansy Gross, and Elmo Crowe; by his daughter, Sandra Grant; and son-in-law, George Grant; and a daughter-in-law, Elizabeth Crowe.

Bazel was proud of his Kentucky roots and was honored to have been named a Kentucky Colonel. Bazel was firm in his desire to "return home to Kentucky" when he passed from this earth and on to his heavenly home with our Lord. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, June 22, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. at the West Irvine Cemetery with Rev. Tim Jones officiating.

Saturday, September 2, 2019

Charlotte Neville Crowe, 90

Charlotte Evelyn Neville Crowe, age 90, passed away quietly on Saturday, September 2, 2019 after suffering from a debilitating stroke.

She was born on July 24, 1927 in Harrisburg, Illinois, to Florence Devere and Harry Neville, the third child in a family of five children. Education was important to Charlotte and she graduated as High School Valedictorian from Harrisburg High School and graduated with honors from the University of Illinois in 1947, with a Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in Home Economics. Charlotte lived close to home and her Illinois roots until she married Bazel Crowe in 1945 and they soon began traveling the globe. By the time the family moved from Illinois to Florida, Charlotte was a full-time mother to three children. Throughout the family's travels around the world, Charlotte taught high school in Guam and worked in the main office of a mining and exploration company in Bougainville, Papua, New Guinea. The family also lived in Jamaica, Australia and Egypt. While teaching her own three children an appreciation of the diversity of cultures throughout the world, Charlotte and family embarked on numerous adventures, traveling twice around the world, not on today's luxury liners but as passengers on freighters. Finally, they settled in Houston, Texas, where Charlotte and Bazel made their home for over 44 years. Charlotte was the office manager and right hand to her husband in his civil engineering business until they retired to en-



Charlotte Crowe

joy a quiet life in Houston. Charlotte enjoyed her family as well as cooking, sewing and knitting.

Charlotte was survived by her husband Bazel, her children Robert, Sandra Grant, and Richard (Janet), her five grandchildren Rachel, Walter, Michael, Kristina and Scott, and her brother Donald Neville (Jane).

She is preceded in death by her parents and three of her four siblings, Harriet Neville Limper, Howard Neville, Virginia Neville Saupé, and by her son-in-law, George Grant, and daughter-in-law, Elizabeth Crowe.

In her later years, Charlotte indicated that the love and friendship of family and friends were very important to her. She said that she preferred to enjoy the many wonderful people in her life while she was still alive to enjoy them. So, Thank you to everyone who made Charlotte's life a happy one. If you still wish to remember her with a gift, please make a donation in her name to the American Red Cross, her favorite charity, rather than sending flowers to the family. <MillerFuneralHome.com>

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

Matt Colby Brandenburg, 83

Matt Colby Brandenburg, age 83, of Irvine, Kentucky, widower of Lucille, passed away at his home, Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

He was a native of Estill County, born April 28, 1936, a son of the late Elbert and Allie Stone Brandenburg. He was a farmer, a carpenter, and a former employee of Bundy Tubing. He enjoyed working and vegetable gardening.

Other than his late wife Lucille, he was also preceded in death by his brothers: Har-

old, Leondas, and Charles Brandenburg.

Survivors include his son, Michael Brandenburg; grandchildren, Hannah and Jacob Brandenburg; his sister, Clara Estes (Jesse); and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 15th, at Lewis-Abner Home For Funerals. Burial followed in the Stevens Cemetery. Friends called anytime after 6:00 p.m., Friday, June 14th at the funeral home.

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Tuesday, June 11, 2019

Robert "Bob" Lane, 75

Robert "Bob" Lane, age 75, husband of Josephine Lane of Stanton, Kentucky, passed away Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at U K Medical Center.

Born in Cincinnati, Ohio, he was the son of the late Dewey Lane and the late Virgie Booth Lane. Bob Lane was a former mechanic with Hinkle Contracting Corporation and he attended the First Church of God.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by one brother, Harold Lane; and by his special nephew, Terry Spencer.

Bob is survived by his wife of 55 years, Josephine Sparks Lane; one son, Robert Scott Lane (Jennifer) of Irvine; two daughters, Connie Jo Fraley (Larry) and Jennifer Jones (Greg) of Clay City; one brother, Danny Dale Lane of Camp-ton; two sisters, Ruth Ann Spencer of Camp-ton and Mary Spencer (Ernest) of



Bob Lane

Rogers; and by four grandchildren, Rebecca Fraley, Grant Fraley, Paul Jones and Sarah Jones.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, June 15, 2019 at Hearne Funeral Home Inc., 125 West College Avenue, Stanton. Visitation began at 6:00 p.m., Friday, June 14th at the funeral home. Burial was in Crabtree Cemetery, High Rock Road, Stanton.

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Monday, June 17, 2019

Norma Jean Lee, 68

Norma Jean Lee, age 68, wife of Farris Lee, passed away Monday, June 17, 2019 at her home.

She was born January 17, 1951 in Powell County, Kentucky, to the late Elmer and Polly Townsend Sparks.

Survivors include her husband, Farris Lee; a son, Raymond Lee Lane (Michelle); a daughter, Virginia Wise (Clayton); brothers, Elbert Sparks (Brenda) and Clayton Sparks (Barbara Ever-sole); sisters, Juanita Fraley (Tony), Judy Parks (James),

and Bonnie Mullins (Delbert); grandchildren, Austin Lane, Savannah Lane, Clayton Alan Wise, and Brock Wise; great-grandchildren, Zayden Wise.

Services will be held Friday, June 21, 2:00 p.m., at Davis & Davis Funeral Home, 777 West College Avenue, Stanton, by Bro. Gary Sparks. Visitation will be Thursday, June 20, 6-9 p.m., at the funeral home. Burial will be in Sparks Cemetery.

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seeds of Hope

God seems to appear when we least expect Him. He certainly will not be confined within the walls of a church or restrained within the rituals of a religion. He is, after all, God the Creator, Sustainer and Savior. He makes Himself known when and where and as He pleases.

Once, during the transatlantic crossing of a large ocean liner a major storm erupted, breaking the silence of calm seas. A huge wave swept over the bow of the ship and swept a sailor into the raging waters. His cry for help went unheard.

But in Philadelphia his Christian mother, who was sound asleep, suddenly awoke with an urgent desire to pray for him. Even though she was not aware of what had happened or his threatening situation, she prayed for his safety with urgency and intensity. She then returned to bed and fell asleep with peace in her heart.

Weeks later her son returned home, opened the door and shouted, "Mother, I'm saved!" Then he described what had happened: how he had been swept overboard. As he was sinking in the swirling waves he remembered thinking, "I'm lost forever!" He remembered a hymn he once sang in church about looking to Jesus to be saved. He cried out, "O God, I look to Jesus to be saved," and another wave swept him back onto the ship.

When he finished his story, his mother told her story. They then thanked God for the storm that saved his soul. As the Psalmist wrote, "Pursue them with Your tempest and terrify them with your storm." Our God is amazing.

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Sunday, June 16, 2019

Wendell Johnny Stamper, 72

Wendell Johnny Stamp-er, age 72, of Irvine, Ken-tucky, passed away at his home, Sunday, June 16, 2019.

He was a native of Estill County, born October 16, 1946, a son of the late Ray and Ada Stone Stamper. He was a farmer that loved vegetable gardening. He was a member of the Ivory Hill Baptist Church and enjoyed shopping and fishing.

Survivors include his brother, Kenneth Ray Stamper; his sisters: Margie Stamper and Ella Marie Johnson; his nephews: Bradley Johnson and Danny Ray Johnson; his great nephew, Darren Johnson; his great niece, Bethany Johnson; his uncle, Billy Gene Cooper; and several cousins.

Services will be held at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at Lewis-Abner Home for Funerals with



Wendell Stamper

Bro. Warren Rogers officiating. Burial will follow in the Sally Poer Cemetery. Friends may call from 12:00 Noon until service time on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Pallbearers will be Marvin Cooper, Raymond Cooper, Joe Woosley, Ray Moses, Jessie Barnes, and Sandy Barnes.

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Monday, June 10, 2019

Mildred Joyce Tharpe, 86

Mildred Joyce Tharpe, age 86, widow of John Tharpe, passed away Monday, June 10, 2019 at her home.

She was born September 20, 1932 in Stanton, Kentucky to the late Noah and Lina Martin Sheffield.

Survivors include sons, Gerald Tharpe (Rhonda), Stanton; John Tharpe (Marsha), Irvine; Charles Tharpe (Debbie), Lexington; and Richard Tharpe (Helen), Stanton; daughters, Reva Ann Brooks (Bobby), Clay City; and Kathi Briscoe, Mt. Sterling; brothers, Shirley Sheffield (Marlene), Illinois; Cecil Sheffield (Twyla), Winchester; Fairley Sheffield, and Lloyd Sheffield (Marie), both of Lexington; a sister, Carol Diamond (Jack), Richmond; 14 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; and three great, great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Tharpe; a daughter, Ilene Wright; a grandson, John Travis Briscoe; a great grandson, Bryan Casey Hall; four brothers, Gary Sheffield, Michael



Mildred Tharpe

Sheffield, Donald Sheffield, and Noah Sheffield Jr.; and a sister, Mabel Willoughby.

Services were conducted Thursday, June 13, 1:00 p.m., Davis & Davis Funeral Home, 777 West College Avenue, Stanton by Rev. Willard Estep. Visitation was held Wednesday, 5-9 p.m., at the funeral home. Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery, Stanton with Kevin Tharpe, Nicholas Tharpe, Jeremy Abney, Chris Davidson, Dustin Holder, and George Welicki serving as pallbearers.

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Inspiration

The "Son" Is Still Shining

Don't feel down about, cloudy days or stormy nights
The SON is still shining --- and HE is our light
When trials and tribulations, turn our day into night
The SON is still shining --- and HE is our light

When things go wrong, and victory is out of sight
The SON is still shining --- and HE is our light
When you try to find your way, thru life's darkest night
The SON is still shining --- and HE is our light

When Paul was in prison, he didn't give up the fight
Because he could see a future, provided by the light
Martin Luther knew, things were not going right
He could see the truth, provided by the light

Christians will find, they have nothing to fear
Things will get much brighter, when the light is near
Eternal life will be, even brighter to me
When I see the light, standing next to me

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