



Charles E. Wilkerson

September 1, 1925 - April 23, 2016

Charles E. Wilkerson, 90, passed away Saturday, April 23, 2016, surrounded by his family.

Funeral services for Mr. Wilkerson will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Buck Run Baptist Church with Rev. Jon Sutphin assisted by Pastor Adam Bishop officiating. Burial and military honors will follow at Frankfort Cemetery. Visitation is Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Buck Run Baptist Church with Masonic services beginning at 7:30 p.m. The lodge will open at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Wilkerson was born September 1, 1925, in Springfield, Kentucky, one of 11 children of the late Andrew and Bessie Hardesty Wilkerson. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Dorsa Agnes Robinson Wilkerson; and siblings, Elizabeth Gammon, Stanley Wilkerson, Earl Wilkerson, Robert Wilkerson, Kenneth Wilkerson, Thelma Newton, Edison Wilkerson, Evelyn Crouch, Clellen Wilkerson and Donald Wilkerson.

During his military service during World War II, Charles E. Wilkerson was a Tech 5 Corporal in the 1018th Army Engineer Treadway Bridge Company in the US Army where he served from 1943 until 1946 in both European and Pacific Theaters. While serving in France, the 1018th was attached to the 7th Army and after the war ended in Europe, the 1018th would sail from Marseille, France to the Philippine Island of Luzon, where they would be a support unit to the 6th Marine Division for the remainder of the war in the Pacific.

In June 2015, he received the Medal of Honor from the US Friends of Luxembourg during a ceremony at the American Military Cemetery and a citation from the Belgian Army at the Bastogne Barracks while visiting several WWII battlefields throughout Europe. In March 2016, he was honored to be recognized on the floor of the Kentucky House of Representatives for his military service during World War II.

Until his retirement, Mr. Wilkerson was the owner and operator of Wilkerson's Ashland

Service Station. He was a member of the American Legion Post 7, VFW Post 4075, Hiram Lodge #4 F&AM, Scottish Rite, Oleika Shrine Temple, and Buck Run Baptist Church. He enjoyed mowing, gardening and the company of his devoted four-legged companion, Barney and grand-dog, Boone.

Mr. Wilkerson is survived by his son, Charles A. (Kristi) Wilkerson and was blessed to be "Granddaddy" to his two grandchildren, Carly Elizabeth and Landon Holt Wilkerson. Also surviving are two sisters-in-law, Marie Wilkerson, Nina Wilkerson; numerous nieces and nephews; and special friend, Margie Ann Moore.

Ed Roberts, Hugh Jordan, Berl Robinson, Jr., C.T. Rose, John Serafini, Larry Stopher, David Wilkerson and Doug Wilkerson will serve as pallbearers. Honorary bearers are Estill Wilkerson, Harold Purvis, Bill Smith, Tony Schiller, Salen Wingate, Bill Criscillis, Bruce McCutchen, Bobby Scruggs, Tommy Webb, Jerry Mills, Mike Stangle, Jimmy Rogers, Eddie Goins and Charles Smith.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy in his memory are suggested to Buck Run Baptist Church Building Fund, 3894 Georgetown Road, Frankfort, KY 40601.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home. Condolences may be shared via the online guest book at www.harrodbrothers.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles E. Wilkerson*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM

CH

“ *CHARLES ALLEN WE ARE SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS OF YOUR DAD. JUST TO LET YOU AND YOUR FAMILY KNOW THAT YOU ARE IN OUR PRAYERS AND ANYTHING THAT WE CAN DO TO HELP YOU THROUGH THIS HARD TIME JUST LET ME KNOW.*

CECIL AND JOAN

CECIL AND JOAN HAYDEN - April 26, 2016 at 09:13 PM

MS

“ *Charles, Mike and I wanted you to know that we are thinking of you and your family. Our prayers are with you.*

Mike and Libby Siler - April 26, 2016 at 07:21 PM

PG

“ *C.A. We are so sorry to hear of Mr. Wilkerson's passing. Always kind. Always pleasant. A real gentleman. We always enjoyed his company. He will be missed. Please know our hearts are heavy. Much love,*
Pete & Debi

Pete and Debi Gall - April 25, 2016 at 07:49 PM

RR

“ *He was a wonderful person, I will truly miss seeing him on Sunday mornings.*

Rick Rogers - April 25, 2016 at 03:25 PM

GD

“ TO: Charles's Family,

We are sorry to hear of the loss of your loved one. Charles has been our "neighbor" for many years. We have talked to Charles many times over the years. He loved people and enjoyed talking to them. People like Charles make wonderful memories. He has woven threads in our tapestry of life. He was a special person. May you all have precious memories of your loved one. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.

Glenn & Ann Dockery - April 25, 2016 at 02:19 PM

BW

“ With deepest sympathy for your loss. We will miss him dearly. In His Love-

Billy and Kay Warfield - April 25, 2016 at 12:12 PM

HJ

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Brian, Heather, Brooke and Ella Johnston

Heather Johnston - April 25, 2016 at 10:03 AM