



Elmer Tandy Lee

August 5, 1919 - July 16, 2013

Elmer T. Lee, 93, of Frankfort, KY died Tuesday, July 16, 2013. Born August 5, 1919 to the late Ernest Franklin and Ann Shields Lee, he was a graduate of Frankfort High School and the University of Kentucky School of Engineering. Throughout his many years of work he became plant manager and master distiller of the Buffalo Trace Distillery. He retired in 1985 and was bestowed Master Distiller Emeritus in addition to having a namesake bourbon. He has been awarded numerous honors since his retirement.

He was a World War II veteran and belonged to VFW Post 4075. He was a member of the First Christian Church, Kentucky Order of Colonels, the 315th Bomb Wing Association, and the Masonic Lodge, Hiram No. 4. He had served on the Board of Directors at First Christian Church, the Chamber of Commerce, the Red Cross, YMCA, Junior Achievement, and the Frankfort Country Club.

Mr. Lee was a devoted husband and father who enjoyed golf, fishing, and gardening. He was preceded in death by his wife of fifty-six years, Elizabeth Dean Lee and his brother, Harrison Lee of Indiana. He is survived by his daughter Peggy Lee Comer (Denny) of Frankfort, his grandson Scott Pena of Winchester, a great-granddaughter, Lily Pena, and his nephew Danny Lee of Crothersville, IN.

Pallbearers are Danny Lee, David Bibb, Gayle Bibb, Ronnie Bibb, John Vereeke, and Rick Zell. Honorary pallbearers are Mark Brown, Harlan Wheatley, Chris Comstock, Freddie Johnson, Hugh Hudson, Dick LaChapell,

Sally Mucci, and Peter LaFalce.

Services will be conducted by Rev. Dr. John Opsata and Scott Pena at First Christian Church in Frankfort at 12:00 p.m. Friday, July 19, 2013. Burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be at the church Thursday from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 pm. and Friday 11:00 a.m. until the service. Hiram Lodge #4 F&AM will conduct a Masonic service Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Contributions in his honor can be made to First Christian Church, 316 Ann Street, Frankfort, KY 40601 or Hospice of Frankfort, 663 Teton Trail, Frankfort, KY 40601.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home.

Condolences may be shared via the online guestbook at www.harrodbrothersfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Elmer Tandy Lee*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Peggy, I was so sorry to hear of your dads passing. My mother-in-law passed on July 13 and mom was here for services. She usually lets me know when something happens involving anyone I was in school with. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Margie Woodrum Rish - September 03, 2013 at 10:11 PM



“ *My condolences to the Lee family. My thoughts and prayers go out to your whole family. Psalms 147:3 says God, "is healing the broken hearted ones, and is binding up their painful spots." May God bring you comfort and peace.*

Williams family - July 26, 2013 at 02:23 PM



“ *No one else can understand the sadness in your hearts for a cherished man that was a father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend. At this time of sadness and celebration of his life, may you find comfort in the loving thoughts of others. With heartfelt sympathy. Susu & family*

Suzanne Wilcox - July 19, 2013 at 04:47 PM

CP

“ I am truly sorry for your loss. I will keep your family in my prayers. Mr Lee was a quiet, sweet, gentle man. He will truly be missed.
cinda

Cinda Peterson - July 18, 2013 at 07:47 PM

SM

“ Dear Peggy, Denny, Scott, and Family:
We are so very sorry to read about the passing of your dad. He was our neighbor for over 30 years and we could not have asked for a better friend and neighbor than your dad and mom.

We share in your sorrow and will be in prayer for all of you.

Due to health reasons, we will be unable to attend the visitation or funeral but we will be with you in spirit.

Sincerely,
Sam and Carolyn

Sam and Carolyn McElroy - July 18, 2013 at 03:41 PM

HI

“ He was one of the nicest people I ever met in the Industry.

Harry Groth II - July 18, 2013 at 01:01 PM

MT

“ May time heal these wounds while knowing that there was only one way he could live his life to the fullest, and that was "bungs up"!

Michael A. Thornton - Friend of the Trace - July 18, 2013 at 11:58 AM

ML

“ *Peggy and Den, We are sorry for your loss. Your father had a full and blessed life and you were the greatest part of that life. Blessings to all the family.*

Mike & Joyce Lett - July 18, 2013 at 09:35 AM

PB

“ *I am truly honored to have known Elmer T. Lee. He was a wonderful man and will be missed. Sending condolences to his family.*

Pat Barrett - July 17, 2013 at 06:02 PM

PW

“ *So sorry for your loss, you are in my prayers.*

Paul Wade - July 17, 2013 at 04:01 PM

BH

“ *Peggy, Denny and Family, I am so sorry to hear of your fathers passing. He sure had a long and full life and I know he will be missed. Again, I'm so sorry. Barbara Howard*

Barbara Howard - July 17, 2013 at 01:17 PM