



Fred S. Watson Jr.

April 25, 1924 - February 9, 2007

Services for Fred S. Watson Jr., formerly of Frankfort, will be Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. at Harrod Brothers Memorial Chapel.

He died at his residence in Georgetown, following an illness. Burial will be in the Historic Frankfort Cemetery.

Born April 25, 1924, in Jefferson County, he was a graduate of the University of Louisville (Speed School), where he obtained a Bachelors Degree in Chemical Engineering. He was a WW II Veteran for the United States Navy. He was the founding Director of the Kentucky State Forensic Laboratory (Crime Lab). He retired from the State Police with twenty-nine years of service as a Lieutenant and then worked for the State Natural Resources & Environmental Protection Agency for ten years.

He is survived by two nephews, Bruce Watson and Norman Watson, both of Louisville; and several cousins.

He was the widower of Margaret Furneaux Watson and was the son of the late Fred S. Watson Sr. and Lillie Mae Spencer Watson.

Dr. Jackson Brewer will officiate.

Tribute Wall



“ Fred S. Watson Jr.

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ Although never meeting Fred Watson personally, his name will always be synonymous with the KSP Crime lab. As the founding father and first director, his contributions to the advancement of forensic science in Kentucky are immeasurable.

Major Wayne Mayfield, Kentucky State Police - February 13, 2007 at 09:39 AM



“ My deepest sympathy in the passing of Fred Watson, he was always helpful, complimentary and would brag on something he remembered me doing in the past. He was a kind and great person, he'll be missed by all who knew him. He is in a much better place now.
God Bless,

Crandell Lee Slone---Retired KSP TROOPER

Crandell Lee Slone - February 12, 2007 at 02:02 PM



“ My deepest sympathy in the passing of Fred Watson. I got my start in the field of Forensics at the KSP Lab and worked there from 1977 to 1979. Even though I never worked with Fred, I know Fred was very instrumental in the start-up of that lab and someone who passed down his knowledge and wisdom to others.

Mike Hall - February 12, 2007 at 01:13 PM

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“ Fred was a real asset to the KSP. In his investigations, he never left a stone unturned. Always thorough.
My wife, Carole , and I offer our sincere sympathy to his family.

Orlester Mahoney - February 12, 2007 at 09:54 AM

DW

“ Fred was a dear friend. He helped train me (1970 -1972) at the KSP Crime Lab in Frankfort. He was in my prayers this last year since his wife died. He was always a gentleman, always complimentary and always bragged on something he remembered you doing in the past. I will miss Fred, but I know he is in a better place.

May the Prince of Peace give you rest,

DLW

David L. Williams - February 11, 2007 at 10:39 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. I proudly served with Fred for several years. He was the Kentucky State Police in many high profile cases, and always had that wonderful smile. Thanks for the opportunity to express our condolences.

Harold Bargo - February 11, 2007 at 08:33 PM

GM

“ Worked with Fred for several years. Good person.
Well liked, Helped me several times.

George Mayberry KSP DET. Retired

George Mayberry - February 11, 2007 at 07:27 PM

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“ *Fifty years ago today, February 11, I started working for and with Fred in the Kentucky State Police Laboratory. In the years we worked together, he taught me much. I am deeply saddened by his death.*

Thomas A. Easterling - February 11, 2007 at 05:39 PM

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“ *Fred we will miss you after all these years. Our Graduation from Chemical Engineering and the many visitations were greatly appreciated by us. Your visitations when our firstborn child Paul was born were part of our fond memories. We remember your scooter so well as do our children.*

Herbert D. & Rachel E Bradley - February 11, 2007 at 03:52 PM