



## John Stanley Palmore

August 6, 1917 - July 4, 2017

Frankfort " John S. Palmore, Jr., son of John Stanley and Antoinette Louise Palmore was born in Ancon, Panama Canal Zone, on August 6, 1917, graduated from Bowling Green (Kentucky) High School in 1934; attended Western Kentucky Teachers College, 1934-36; graduated cum laude, University of Louisville Law School (now Brandeis School of Law), 1939; law practice, Henderson, Kentucky, 1939-1942; active duty U.S. Navy, 1942-1946 (including one year at Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration); sea duty in Pacific theater included battle of Okinawa; recalled to active duty 1951-52; law practice Henderson, Kentucky, 1947-1951, 1952-1959; city atty., Henderson, 1953-55; Commonwealth's Atty. 5th Judicial District of Kentucky, 1955-59; elected to Court of Appeals (now Supreme Court of Kentucky) 1959; reelected 1966 and 1974; Chief Justice 1966, 1973, 1977-82; law practice, Frankfort, 1983-84, Henderson, 1984-85, Lexington, 1985-92. Predeceased by first wife, Eleanor Anderson Palmore, in 1980, and son, John "Jack" Worsham Palmore, in 1994; by second wife of 34 years, Carol Pate Palmore, 2015. Survived by grandchildren, Addison Clay Palmore, of Delray Beach, Florida., and Julie Palmore Williams (Judge Squire "Will" Williams) of Frankfort, two great grandchildren, Lilian Williams and Doris Williams of Frankfort, and sister-in-law, Robin Lynn Pate, of Jasper, Indiana. Judge Palmore was a member of the Church of Ascension and former senior warden of the vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Henderson. He was a member and past president of the Frankfort Rotary Club, a member of the Frankfort Country Club and the Lexington Club, a 32nd degree Scottish-rite Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, American Legion, 40&8 Society, VFW, Elks Club (Henderson), Ducks Unlimited, and WKU Alumni Association. He was the author of several publications, including Palmore's Instructions to Juries, Riding with Sherman, An Opinionated Career, and From the Panama Canal to Elkhorn Creek. Judge Palmore raised and trained Labrador Retrievers and for a number of years competed in field trials throughout the country. One of his dogs, Hundred Proof Tad, became an AKC field champion and amateur field champion, competed in four consecutive nation amateur field championship trials, and was a finalist in the 1971 trial.

Judge Palmore passed away at home Tuesday, July 4, 2017. He will be buried in the

Frankfort Cemetery. As per his wishes, there will be no public visitation or services.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy to Bluegrass Hospice Care Pet Peace of Mind (Patient Pet Adoption Services) [www.bgcarenv.org](http://www.bgcarenv.org) or The Humane Society.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Stanley Palmore*

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“ *Judge Palmore was a close friend back in the late forties and fifties. I use to play with son as a child. Haven't seen the Judge in many years. Me would always speak to us kids playing in his yard. Mother and Dad are gone now, but sir, Please Rest In Peace.*

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