



Robert Francis Knarr

April 30, 1930 - November 3, 2008

Frankfort- Robert (Bob) F. Knarr, 78, of Frankfort passed away at his home on November 3, 2008. Bob was employed by the Kentucky Highway Department during the 1960's, later moving to Prestonburg in 1969 where he was employed by Hill Engineering Co. Bob left Prestonburg in 1977 going to work for MAPCO Coals and then Energy Coal Corp. He later became the Commissioner of Surface Mining followed by the Commissioner of Natural Resources for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Bob graduated with honors from the University of Kentucky in 1962 with a degree in civil engineering. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Carol Calhoun Knarr of Frankfort, KY; his daughter, Nancy Harr of Lexington, KY, his daughter, Judy Douglass of Morganfield, KY; his son, William F. Knarr of Frankfort, KY; his brother, Dr. Donald Knarr, Tyler, TX; his sister Edith Dossett of Orlando, FL; his sister, Helen Shell of Lake Junaluska, NC; eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Bob was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church in Frankfort. A memorial service will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home on Friday, November 7, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. with Dell Jagers officiating. Visitation will be Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Hospice of the Bluegrass, 208 Steele St., Frankfort, KY 40601. Arrangements are under the careful direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home LLC and condolences may be shared via the online guest book at www.harrodbrothersfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Francis Knarr*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Bill,*
Tom & I are sorry to hear about your father. We know he had been ill. You and Jackie are in our prayers.
Always,
Tom & Candy

December 19, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Bill and Family -*
Words don't seem adequate to express our condolences during these difficult times; know that our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Chip, Stephanie, Molly and Maggie - November 07, 2008 at 01:17 PM



“ *Judy,*
I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Katie Clements - November 07, 2008 at 12:12 PM

GK

“ Ms. Knarr,
I'd like to offer my condolences for your loss. Bob and I worked together at Energy Coal back in the eighties and I've never forgotten the caring and kind man that Bob was. After the takeover at Energy I had lost my job and was in a pretty tough spot with no job and two kids and a wife to take care of. Bob kept in contact with me and gave me hope for the future. Then, true to his nature, found me a job here in Lexington with Fuller Mossbarger that was a turning point in my life.
I can say that I am a better man for knowing Bob.
Again, I am so sorry for your loss.
Respectfully.
Garrie Krueger

Garrie Krueger - November 07, 2008 at 07:02 AM

JB

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. I worked with Bob for several years when he worked for DSMRE. He was a great Commissioner and strong leader at a critical juncture of the Surface Mining program. His leadership skills were only exceeded by one thing - his integrity. You will be in my prayers during this difficult time. God Bless!

Joe Blackburn
Philippians 4:7

Joseph L. Blackburn - November 06, 2008 at 09:41 AM

ZF

“ Dear Judy and Family,

Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you Judy, and your family. I found, in meeting your Dad, all the beautiful qualities you said he possessed. He was a great man of wisdom and had great love for his family. God said it was time for him to continue his watch from heaven. Know that he is looking down over each of you with tender love and care. I feel quite privileged to have met him and his spirit will live on Judy, through the gentle kind way that I witnessed in Mr. Knarr and as I do in you.

*Much love to you and your family,
Zelinda*

zelinda fellows - November 06, 2008 at 05:42 AM

CH

“ so sorry to hear about bob you have our deepest sympathy

chuck n donna hilton - November 06, 2008 at 05:27 AM

CI

“ Dear Judy and Family,

I am really sorry for your loss. From everything I have heard about Mr. Knarr he was a very special father and spouse. I know you will miss him very very much. I wish I could be there with you at this time. You are in my heart and in my thoughts and prayers. If there is anything I can do let me know. Big Hug! Love ya, Cinda

Cinda - November 06, 2008 at 05:14 AM

LC

“ *Bill, Jackie, & Bill II,
I'm sorry to hear of your dad's death. I have walked in your shoes on this one and it's never easy. It's tough when you lose a parent. We will be praying for your family and will keep you in our prayers.
God Bless
The Conley's*

Luther, Vickie & Steven Conley - November 05, 2008 at 11:31 AM

BL

“ *It's hard to understand why a loved one is taken from us, but please find comfort in knowing that you were such a special part of Bob's life. We only knew him for a short time, but enjoyed looking at his home on Pimlico Parkway during our walks in the neighborhood. Bob really took pride in keeping the landscaping neat and trim. We were so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know how very sorry we are.*

Bob & Deanna Larger - November 05, 2008 at 11:03 AM

CD

“ *Judy, I just wanted you to know that I am thinking about you. You look VERY much like your father. I can see kindness in his eyes, just like your eyes are always kind. Please know that I wish I could be there and if I can help you in any way, please let me know.*

Love Cathy

Cathy Day - November 05, 2008 at 05:26 AM

LW

“ Hi Judy,

Just wanted to let you know how sorry I am for you. I know what you and your family are going through, but in time, it will get better. Just remember he is in a place where he has no more pain and he is a whole person again. He is the person that he always was. Take care and I will see you in time.

Leslie Willett - November 05, 2008 at 04:14 AM