



Roger Edwin Hardin

May 26, 1939 - May 7, 2013

The next time you see a passing fire truck, or see a burning building or the melting of small clouds in our stratosphere, remember men like retired firefighter, Roger E. Hardin. For this dedicated husband, father, brother, grandfather, and great-grandfather is now soaring like an eagle in the Lord's heavens after passing this Earth's gravity on Tuesday, May 7. Roger passed from Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis and lung cancer.

Roger was born on May 26, 1939, to Cecil and Gertie Hardin of Wilmore.

He was an active member of the community and over his past 73 years in Frankfort, Roger never met a stranger and was always willing and ready to help those in need. This was evident in his service to his country in the US Coast Guard and to his community of Frankfort since settling back here in 1960. Roger retired from the City of Frankfort as a firefighter with over 27 years of service. He continued supporting the community as local business owner of F & D Computers, Hardin's Repairs, Hardin's Market & Deli, as well as a board member and supporter of Helping Hands of the Bluegrass.

Roger was a member of the Forks of Elkhorn Baptist Church and the Hiram Lodge. Over the past years, he had been a strong advocate for organ donation, research, and awareness of this horrific disease that took him from this Earth. He often said, "I know what I am doing will not help me but I am

hoping it will help someone else so no other family will have to endure what mine has.💎

Roger is survived by his best friend and wife of 56 years, Vonda Hopper Hardin; daughters, Angie Wingfield (Tommy Griffin) of Frankfort and Lisa (Connie) Phillips of Lawrenceburg. Roger also leaves behind three grandchildren, Eric Burge, Ashley Sparks, and Jamie Roberts; and six great-grandchildren, Kortney, Dakota, Madison, Chase, Makenlee, and Landen. Roger had one brother, Danny Hardin of Shelbyville, and one sister, Susan (Jerry) Purvis of Frankfort. He was the father of the late Jeffery Todd Hardin, and the son of the late Cecil and Gertie Hardin of Frankfort.

Services for Roger will be conducted from Harrod Brothers Funeral Home at 2:00 pm Thursday, May 9, 2013, with Reverend Todd Lester officiating. Burial will follow in Frankfort Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 11:00 am Thursday until time for the service at the funeral home.

Jim Hopper, Chris Slaughter, Randy Patchell, Ronnie Purvis, Nathan Keene, John Quarles, and Connie Phillips will serve as Pallbearers. The retired Frankfort City Fire Department will serve as Honorary Pallbearers.

Expressions of sympathy may be made in Roger💎s memory to the Kentucky Organ Donor Affiliates (KODA), ATTN: Director of Administrative Services, 106 E. Broadway, Louisville, KY 40202; Coalition for Pulmonary Fibrosis, 10866 W. Washington Blvd. #343, Culver City, CA 90232; or to the Forks of Elkhorn Baptist Church, 295 Duckers Rd., Midway, KY 40347.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Roger Edwin Hardin*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Hello Angie and family - Hope you are doing well. I know all of you still feel deeply last year's loss, but hopefully this year's glorious Spring brings some comfort that the circle of life includes rebirth, renewal, and redemption. Despite our setbacks, it is still a beautiful world. Take care!*

Barry Toning - April 30, 2014 at 08:50 AM



“ *I AM SO SORRY TO HERE ABOUT THE LOSS OF ROGER I DIDNT KNOW THIS UNTIL TO DAY WHEN I WAS LOOKING AT THE OBITS MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL HE WAS SUCH A GREAT PERSON AND I THOUGHT A LOT OF HIM WHEN I WORKED AT HELPING HANDS*

Zora Richardson - May 11, 2013 at 04:13 PM



“ *So very sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers. May GOD comfort you.*

Sondra & Gary McDaniel - May 08, 2013 at 11:30 PM



“ *So sorry to read of your loss in the paper. My prayers are with the family.*

Mary Jean (Eddins) Dittert - May 08, 2013 at 06:50 PM

BT

“ Warm regards to all the family - keep each other close, and draw comfort and strength from the ties that bind your family.

Barry Tinning - May 08, 2013 at 05:11 PM

ME

“ Papaw will be greatly missed. I will miss going up to the house on the weekends for the coffee club and see his smiling face. I love hearing his stories of back in the days. He reminded me so much of my own grandfather that we lost back when I was 9 years old. He has been my grandfather figure for a little over a year and will do anything for him and this family. I am here for you all. Love you all.

Meredith - May 08, 2013 at 03:31 PM

DC

“ All I can say is how sorry I am and I truly know your loss. You are in my thoughts...with love....Della

Della Clemons - May 07, 2013 at 10:46 PM

RF

“ All we can say is that we are so sorry for the loss of Roger. He was a great man and is going to be missed by so many. He always had a smile for you which was usually followed by some joke or teasing! At least he is not suffering anymore and all the pain is gone and only happiness now. We are so going to miss you Roger; but know the Lord's house is such a wonderful place that you are much better now. Vonda, Angie, Lisa and family, we are holding you close in our thoughts and prayers and please let us know if there is anything we can do. Lots of love!

Russell, Ellen Gotshall and Family - May 07, 2013 at 05:01 PM

BS

“ So sorry for your loss. My prayers are with the family.

Bev Salchli - May 07, 2013 at 03:55 PM

CM

“ Angie and Jamie,

I am so very sorry for your loss. I am praying for you and your family. God bless!

Capella McFarland - May 07, 2013 at 03:34 PM