



Zack C. Saufley

August 1, 1930 - July 13, 2009

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SAUFLEY, RETIRED ARMY MAJOR GENERAL, ZACK C., 78, died Monday, July 13, 2009, at Thomson-Hood Veterans Center.

He was raised in Stanford, Kentucky, by his parents, Henry Rowan Saufley Jr. and Jessamine Church Saufley and moved to Frankfort, Kentucky upon graduation from the University of Kentucky. He was educated at Virginia Military Institute and the University of Kentucky, where he attained a Masters of Science in Agriculture Economics. He was also a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. His military service included serving as a Platoon Leader in the 40th Infantry Division in Korea in 1952 -1954, Company Commander in the 100th Division during the Berlin Crisis 1961-1962, and over 30 years service in the United States Army Reserves culminating with promotion to Major General and Commander of the 100th Division. He retired from the military in 1988. He served as Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army from 1988 " 1994. His decorations include the National Defense Service Medal, UN Service Medal, Korean Service Medal, U.S. Distinguished Service Medal, Kentucky Distinguished Service Medal, and Army Commendation Medal with Two Oak Leaf Clusters. His civilian career began as a faculty member at the University of Kentucky in the College of Agriculture from 1957-1971. He was then appointed as a Vice President at Farmers Bank & Trust Company and where he remained until 1988, eventually serving as President & CEO of Farmers Bank & Capital Trust Company, as well as President & CEO of Farmers Capital Bank Corporation. From 1989 until 1995, he served with Whitaker Bank Corporation as Vice Chairman, and Chairman of the Board of State National Bank of Frankfort. Upon retirement from banking, he operated Church's Grove Farm, where he achieved Master Conservationist status and won the national regional Environmental Stewardship Award for innovative land conservation practices in beef cattle farming. He was also very actively involved in many civic and professional organizations serving as Member, Trustee, Treasurer, Board Director or Board Chairman for numerous organizations including Lees College, Kentucky Bankers Association , Kentucky Financial Institutions Board, Kentucky Military Affairs Commission, Ralph E Mills Foundation, Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Boy Scouts, Salvation Army,

Rotary Club, University of Kentucky Business Partnership Foundation, Kentucky Independent College Fund, Kentucky Military Museum Committee, Commonwealth Small Business Development Corporation, and Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority. He received numerous awards including the University of Kentucky Distinguished Alumnus Award, appointment to the Kentucky College of Agriculture's Scovell Society, Governor's Outstanding Kentuckian Award, Frankfort Community Development Award, Frankfort United Way Leadership Award, Society of Van Meter Fellows, Lee's College Presidential Fellow, University of Kentucky Fellow, and The Leesonian Award.

He was married for 52 years to the former Yvonne Yates of Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Carol Singleton Saufley; two brothers, Henry Rowan Saufley III (Barbara) and George E Saufley II (Connie); four daughters, Jessamine Saufley, Claire Lancaster (Ken), Carrie McNamara (Robert), and Jennifer Keith (Timothy); one son, Zack "Church Saufley" Jr. (Susan); seven grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

Visitation will be held at South Frankfort Presbyterian Church, 224 Steele Street, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Friday, July 17, 2009, with the funeral starting at 2 p.m., and a grave side service for family immediately following at Frankfort Cemetery. Services conducted by Rev. Alan Sorem.

Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to the South Frankfort Presbyterian Church Remembrance Fund.

Arrangements by Harrod Brothers Funeral Home, 312 Washington Street, in Frankfort. www.harrodbrothersfuneralhome.com

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