



Wallace Barnes

February 14, 1928 - March 5, 2012

Wallace 'Wad' Barnes, age 84, of Edwina, passed away suddenly Monday morning, March 5, 2012, following a lengthy decline and a sudden stroke on March 4.

He was born February 14, 1928, in Cosby, to the late Alfred Barnes and Isabell (Fowler) Barnes.

He retired in 1998, at age 70, from the County of Cocke, where he was employed as Landfill Department manager. Prior to working for the County, he was a twenty-year employee of A. C. Lawrence Leather Company until its closure in 1972. He was employed in the position of shop leader and served as union president. Upon its closure, he transferred to North Carolina and continued to work for the company until 1980.

Wad was a constable for the then-Eighth (later First) Civil District and was elected by the same district to the Cocke County Legislative Body, where he served a total of 16 years until 1986. He was resolute in his efforts to assist in the progress of Cocke County and, in particular, the local hospital in the organization's early years. He served on the hospital's board of directors and assisted in the initiation of early management contracts and in the hospital's progress forward in its efforts to continue to upgrade, improve, and expand its services to the residents of Newport and Cocke County.

He was a member of Bluffton Baptist Church in Hartford.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Eloise Cate Barnes. Eloise was retired from Cocke County E-911. The couple loved and worked tirelessly

for their community and its residents.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by the following brothers and sisters: Pless Barnes, Easter Barnes, Bruce Barnes, Zalmer Barnes, Hazel Barnes, James H. 'Jim' Barnes, Hattie Barnes Grooms, and Lillian 'Toots' Williams. He is survived by one brother Fred Barnes.

He is also survived by his daughters Judy (Roger) Owenby, Phyllis (Lonnie) Dunn, and Sherry Hensley Burnett (Charles), all of Newport; grandchildren Casey Owenby, Stephanie Bennett, Byron (Carolyn) Ellison, and David (Kimberly) Hensley, all of Newport; great-grandchildren Whitney Owenby, Newport; Megan (Justin) Clift, and Macy Bennett, Knoxville; Adam (Michelle) Ellison, Fort Polk, Louisiana; Caleb (Danielle) Ellison, Newport; and Summer Hensley, Newport; and two great-great-grandchildren Matthew and Abby Ellison of Fort Polk, Louisiana.

As well, he was preceded in death and leaves behind a number of beloved nieces, nephews, and friends.

Wallace was cremated at his request.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Manes Funeral Home in charge

Tribute Wall



“ Wallace Barnes

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ Wallace Barnes

dannyhall - March 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Sherry and Judy so sorry to hear about yours Fathers passing you and your families will be in mine and Teresa's thoughts and prayers.

Jeff Blackman - March 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Sherry I am so sorry to hear about your father. You are in my prayers.

carlene reed - March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Sherry, I am so very sorry for the loss of your Dad. He was a wonderful person. I always enjoyed talking with him. May God bless and keep you.

Sherry Rolen - March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry for your loss

Martha Newman - March 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ *May the comfort of God help you during this time thoughts and prayers are with each of you.*

Bill Justus - March 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ *Wallace Barnes*

Linnie Denton - March 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ *So Sorry for your loss*

Pat and Patricia Mathis Taylor - March 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *Wallace Barnes*

Robert and Martha Pack - March 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ *Sherry, I am so sorry to hear of your dad's death. He was such a special person with a wonderful story to tell. You were forever by his side and took excellent care of him. He appreciated your devotion to both he and your mother. May God hold you tightly in*

kathy grooms - March 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GH

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George and Diana Hayes, Alison Hayes - March 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

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Arzella Mantooth Shelton - March 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DT

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Danny Tolley - March 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KB

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KATHY AND BUDDY BARNETT - March 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Wallace Barnes

Betty Harrison - March 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM