



Doyl Earl Brown

September 2, 1920 - May 21, 2014

Doyl Earl Brown, age 93, died May 21, after a brief illness. Doyl enjoyed a long and distinguished banking career and served the community as a civic leader in many capacities over the years.

Doyl began working at First National Bank in 1938 as a summer employee for \$1 per day, and worked his way up to become the President and Chief Executive Officer of the bank in 1965. Even after retiring from official roles in the bank in the 1990's, he has continued to be involved in the life of 1st National, regularly joining friends for morning coffee. During his career, he also served many roles with the Arkansas Bankers' Association, including a term as President in 1978-79.

Doyl was active in the civic life of Wynne, serving as Treasurer to the City, and as Chairman of the Cross County Board of Education, as well as various leadership roles with the Rotary Club, the Wynne Industrial Development Corporation, the East Arkansas Business and Industrial Development Corporation, and the Chamber of Commerce. Doyl was also a long-standing member of Wynne Presbyterian Church, where he served as an elder and adult Sunday School teacher.

Doyl is survived by two sons, Byron Brown(Betsy) of Tallahassee, Florida, and Kevin Brown of Washington, D.C.; two granddaughters, Megan Kelly (Brian) of

Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, and Emily Brown of Jacksonville, Florida; and three siblings, Laurel Ellis, Richard Brown, and Nina Spencer, all of Wynne. Doyl's extended family included Marice Boardman and Charlie and Bunny Brown.

Doyl was preceded in death in August 2012 by his beloved wife of 69 years, Aletha; his eldest son Clyne; twin great-grandsons, Finn and Jack Kelly; and five siblings, Carson and Bill Brown, Beryl Thomas, Doris Ellis, and Mildred Bostick.

Visitation will be Friday, May 23, 2014, from 6 PM until 7:30 PM at the Wynne Presbyterian Church.

Graveside services will be Saturday, May 24, 2014, at 10 AM at Crosslawn Cemetery in Wynne. Memorial services will be Saturday, May 24, 2014, at 11 AM at the Wynne Presbyterian Church.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **23.** 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Wynne Presbyterian Church

Graveside

MAY **24.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Crosslawn Cemetery
Wynne, AR

Memorial services

MAY **24.** 11:00 AM (CT)

Wynne Presbyterian Church

Tribute Wall

SH

“ I am so sorry to hear of this~~I know one day I went by the house and there were more cars than normal there and wondered what was going on~~ Just want the family to know I am sorry and know he is celebrating with Aletha...He LOVED working and relaxing in his yard and loved to celebrate by putting up Christmas lights, which I will miss. He was the last Original in the neighborhood, it will never be the same now!!



Sandra Scott Hall - June 03, 2014 at 10:40 AM

CR

“ Carolyn Rushing lit a candle in memory of Doyl Earl Brown



Carolyn Rushing - May 24, 2014 at 10:13 AM

NF

“ Doyl Brown was a teacher, leader, speaker....and a genuine southern gentleman!!!
His brilliant mind amazed me in the years I worked for him. If I needed an answer to anything he could help me in a matter of minutes and loved doing it!

I will never forget the look on his face many many years ago when I asked him if "ROE" meant "Return on Expenses".

When I think of First National Bank, I think about how much he loved and supported it.

He will be dearly missed by our bank and our town!

Much sympathy to the Brown Family but... WOW those memories you will have!!

Nancy Faulkner - May 23, 2014 at 11:01 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Doyl Earl Brown.



May 23, 2014 at 07:28 PM

RP

“ I just learned of this and am so sad. He was a friend through all my adult life, always had a kind word of encouragement, and he will be missed. Rick Proctor

Rick Proctor - May 23, 2014 at 05:30 PM

LL

“ I admired Mr Brown very much!! I am very grateful to have known and worked with him. My prayers are with his family members.
Linda Looney

linda looney - May 23, 2014 at 01:31 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Doyl Earl Brown.



May 23, 2014 at 06:14 AM

LB

“ Lora Brawner lit a candle in memory of Doyl Earl Brown



Lora Brawner - May 22, 2014 at 09:01 PM

PN

“ Mr Brown was a great friend and gave me great advice the years we both served the City of Wynne. He did this when I served as an alderman and as mayor. He was aa great friend and advisor even after he retired from elected official. Paul Nichols

Paul Nichols - May 22, 2014 at 05:01 PM

SK

“ Steve and Susan Kelly purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Doyl Earl Brown.



Steve and Susan Kelly - May 22, 2014 at 04:35 PM

CW

“ Connie Watts lit a candle in memory of Doyl Earl Brown



Connie Watts - May 22, 2014 at 03:31 PM

CW

Mr. Brown taught me more about banking than I could ever dream possible. He was a fantastic teacher and counselor. Whenever I made a mistake I will never forget how he would squint one eye and start explaining what I had done wrong. He was always patience and kind. My sympathy to Kevin and Byron and the entire family. You loss is shared by many.

Connie Watts - May 22, 2014 at 03:37 PM