



Ken McClanahan

April 18, 1934 - July 3, 2013

Mr. Ken O. McClanahan, 79, passed away Wednesday, July 3, 2013 in Hot Springs, Arkansas. He was preceded in death by his parents, Olen H. McClanahan and Ivey Slocum McClanahan and sister, Geraldine Mashburn. Mr. McClanahan was born in Tilton, Arkansas on April 18, 1934. Ken retired from Cross County Bank after 45 years of service. He was the CEO and Bank President of Cross County Bank. Ken retired as a full Colonel after 35 years of service from the Army National Guard. He was a lifelong active member of First United Methodist Church in Wynne. He served on, various boards, served in many activities and was a 47 year member of the Pairs and Spares Sunday School Class. Survivors are his wife of 60 years, Jean Vanaman McClanahan of the home; son, Mac McClanahan and wife Paulette of Hot Springs; daughter, Jamar McClanahan of Houston, Texas; brothers, J. F. McClanahan of Hickory Ridge; Ivan McClanahan of Fonatana, California; sisters, Marlene Little and Kody Koonce of Cabot; grandchildren, Megan Norris, Caleb McClanahan, Grace McClanahan and Noah McClanahan. Visitation will be Sunday, 2 to 4 PM at Kernodle Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Monday at 1 PM at First United Methodist Church with burial in Lewis Cemetery in Hickory Ridge with Military Honors. www.kernodlefh.com

Tribute Wall

BW

“ I just heard about the lost of you father .I am sorry I will be praying for you and your family. Take one day at a time .God love him too.

Betty Walker - July 20, 2013 at 08:26 AM

JH

“ Jean, Mac, So sorry for your loss. Mac was a great guy. I enjoyed serving with him in the 70s. Sorry I missed you at the services as I had to hurry for another service to attend in Memphis at 1600. RIP Mac

Jack harden - July 10, 2013 at 09:18 PM

RH

“ Ms. Jean, Mac and Jamar,
We were so sorry to hear of Ken's passing. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Ronnie and Shannon Haynes - July 08, 2013 at 09:11 PM

GW

“ Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Norman Jean and family. May God comfort you at this time.

Gary & Tisha Woodard - July 08, 2013 at 12:39 PM

TJ

“ Please accept our condolences. Col McClanahan was a gentleman and a fine mentor of mine over the years. He will be missed.

Thomas E Bentley Jr - July 08, 2013 at 11:12 AM

NJ

“ *Ken McClanahan*

Nancy Tarbutton James - July 08, 2013 at 09:48 AM

D(

“ *So sorry for the loss of your dear husband, and father. I have good memories of working with Colonel McClanahan, while serving at the Wynne unit, and later at The 39th Inf Bde (Sep) at Little Rock as my Deputy Brigade Commander. A great leader, an excellent artillery officer. Col. McClanahan was the example of what an officer should be. A good husband and father. A tremendous asset to The Arkansas Guard, The United States Army, and The Great State of Arkansas. Col. McClanahan was a mentor to many of us. He was a good friend of mine, Hurraahhhh! H*

Daniel R. Morales. SSG (Ret) - July 08, 2013 at 12:39 AM

RL

“ *Served under the Col. for several years in the national guard. He was the one of the finest officers I ever knew. Great leader, mentor, and friend. Broke the mold with him. May he rest in the arms of God.*

Robert D. Luper - July 07, 2013 at 11:01 PM

DS

“ *My deepest sympathies to Jean, Mac, Jamar and families. The world has lost a truly great man and he will be missed by many. I'd not met another like him.*

Debi Smith - July 07, 2013 at 09:02 PM

GB

“ Ken was my sister Glenda Vanamans Brother-in Law. My heart is broken For Norma Jean and children. I am a great admirer of military leaders and military men. His rank of Full Colonel is an acheivement of the very few but maybe a greater achievment was his leadership in his church. It hurts to lose good christian fathers like Ken. Had very little contact with him to my misfortune. God please be with and care for Norma Jean and family. I salute you Ken.

Gaylon Claude Brown - July 07, 2013 at 03:24 PM

DE

“ Jean, I am so sorry to hear about Ken, My prayers are with you, and your family, may God Bless you, Don

Don Evans - July 07, 2013 at 11:44 AM

RW

“ Ken was a good neighbor and will be missed. I hated to see you guy's move to Hot Springs but it was nice to be with Mac and the grandkids. He will be missed.

Randy & Viola Williams - July 06, 2013 at 09:05 PM

KS

“ Such a loving , dedicated, and impressive individual. He will be missed and cherishedby so many.

Karen Gibbs Silva - July 06, 2013 at 01:25 PM

JH

“ RIP Mac

Jack Harden - July 06, 2013 at 11:53 AM

MH

“ Jamar, we are so sorry to hear about your daddy!! He was a fine man and very much gentleman! May God bless you and your family!! You are in our prayers!!

Mike and Sandra Scott Hall - July 05, 2013 at 10:05 PM

BD

“ Jean, Mac, Jamar, Grandkids, Family, Friends: We are saddened for Ken's call to Heaven. Ken is Home waiting to rejoin with you at the right time. I remember Ken from HRHS, sports, several years in the Nat'l Guard, civic activities, and business at the Bank. He always asked me about Bob Tom, my brother. Ken will be remembered as a great civic leader business man, family man, and my friend. May he rest in peace. Buddy and Jo Diebold

Buddy and Jo Diebold - July 05, 2013 at 08:04 PM

TB

“ Mac, I am so sorry for your loss. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Tim Brotherton - July 05, 2013 at 07:57 PM

RM

“ With Sincere Sympathy, Psalms 116:15 Precious in the sight of Yahweh is the death of his faithful servants. Jamar we love you and are continuing to pray for you and your family.

Roger & Christine Mullin - July 05, 2013 at 06:47 PM

LW

“ Too young. Good friend, ball player. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Leland R Wall - July 04, 2013 at 05:29 PM

SH

“ Dear Mac, Paulette, Caleb, Grace and Noah, We are so sorry to hear about your loss. May God Bless You in this time of sorrow.
Samantha, Summer and Jake

Samantha Hess - July 04, 2013 at 11:46 AM

DL

“ Mr. Ken was a pillar in the our community. Our prayers are with Mrs. Jean and the family.

Dail & Millie Lace - July 04, 2013 at 10:26 AM

RW

“ Ken was a man I respected and admired because he worked so hard all of his life and pulled himself up from humble beginnings to the top job in the local bank and high officer's rank in the Ark Natl Guard. Great family and outdoorsman who lived his Christian values. I will never forget that he never berated me (but he was steamed) for losing his '54 Ford car keys in a lake as I tossed them to him from shore and missed badly. Peace to you, cousin.

Robert G Webb - July 03, 2013 at 07:22 PM

SR

“ Dear Jean,Mac,Jamar & families,
I am so sorry to hear of Ken's passing. He was truly a great man! I so enjoyed working with him at Cross County Bank. He taught me so much! He was certainly devoted to his family, faith, country and his work! I will never forget him! God Bless you all during this time!

Sandy & Bobby Roberts - July 03, 2013 at 05:59 PM

JJ

“ Ken McClanahan has been so important in my life as he gave me my the opportunity to get into banking as I had been the head football coach in Wynne. I am so grateful for his wisdom to let me join him at the Cross County Bank. Ken was a great banker and a real asset to Wynne and Cross County. I used to love to quail hunt with him even though he walked me way too much. He never got tired even with bad knees. I was the one who got him to wear an orange vest even before it was required. He didn't want to but he did. He will be missed. Thank you Ken McClanahan.

Jim Jordan - July 03, 2013 at 04:31 PM

CJ

“ Ken was a great guy. Our prayers are with the family.

Clarence & Ann Ford Johnson - July 03, 2013 at 03:21 PM