



Laverne Brown Quarles

September 28, 1923 - May 25, 2015

Laverne Brown Quarles (L.B.) of Buckingham Drive in Jefferson City, Tennessee passed away Monday, May 25 2015 at Life Care Center of Jefferson City after a long life and 67 years of marriage to the love of his life, Pauline (Polly) Quarles. She preceded him in death in December of 2014.

Born in Jefferson City on September 28, 1923, L.B. was the oldest child of Brown and Nancy Quarles. He had four brothers and a sister: the twins Dene and Gene, the twins Joyce and Royce and the youngest brother, Fred. He graduated from the old Jefferson City High School. He served in the U.S Navy during World War II from April 1943 to May 1946. After his service he returned to Jefferson City and worked first as a mason and then for many years as a letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service. People in Jefferson City will know him as the mailman who knew everyone on his city route or the craftsman who laid the bricks for many buildings in town. L.B. was instrumental in the design and construction of the Community Center during his time on city council. He also served as vice mayor.

L.B. resided in Jefferson City his entire life, building his own house in Swann Heights.

He was a 50-year member of the National Association of Letter Carriers and a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge.

L.B. was a member of George Street Methodist Church from the time he was two weeks old and was carried in his mother's arms as she walked to church every week. As a member of almost 92 years, he served as Sunday School superintendent and in many other roles. He made many improvements to the church building and extended his masonry and carpentry skills into the community, working on such projects as Barnaby's Playground at Jefferson Elementary and masonry jobs on various projects around town. He loved woodworking and gardening, and especially a good homegrown tomato.

He married Polly in 1947. The couple had two children. L.B is survived by the children, Brent Quarles of Jefferson City, who is retired from Hamblen County Schools and Jan Quarles of Murfreesboro, who teaches at Middle Tennessee State University. He is also survived by two brothers, Gene and wife Carolyn and Fred and wife Bobby, by sister-in-law Virginia, sister-in-law Nancy and brother-in-law Raymond Morgan along with many nephews, nieces and their families.

The family would like to thank the incredible staff at Life Care Center of Jefferson City for their care, kindness and love for L.B. They also want to thank many relatives and friends of the family for their ongoing support and friendship.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to George Street United Methodist Church in Jefferson City, TN.

Graveside service 10:30 am Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at Jefferson Memorial Garden with Rev. Steve Burckhart officiating. The family will receive friends Wednesday from 9:00 - 9:30 am prior to the graveside at Fielden Funeral Home in New Market.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

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