



Ernest A. Page, Jr.

August 15, 1930 - January 27, 2018

Ernest A. Page, Jr. passed away on January 27, 2018 at CAMC-Teays Valley at the age of 87.

Ernest was born on August 15, 1930 to parents, Ernest and Belva in Morrisvale, WV. A life-long Mountaineer, he worked as a teacher, principal, assistant superintendent and superintendent in West Virginia over the course of his 35-year education career, serving Boone, Wood, Mineral and Putnam counties.

A dedicated volunteer with West Virginia 4-H and member of Cross Lanes United Methodist Church (CLUMC), Ernest will be remembered for his deep faith, unmatched kindness and commitment to service.

He served on the Putnam County Parks and Recreation Board for more than 30 years and as chairman of the Putnam County Fair for more than 20 years. Ernest was the recipient of the Mayo Lester Community Service Award in 1993, CLUMC's Layman of the Year Award in 1996 and the West Virginia 4-H All Stars' Distinguished Service Award in 1998. He was inducted into the West Virginia 4-H Hall of Fame in 2004 and recognized for 50 years of service to 4-H in 2005. In 2015, the Putnam County Commission recognized May 26 as Ernest Page, Jr. Day.

His selflessness impacted the lives of countless students, 4-Hers and community members, all while providing an example for his loving family. Ernest is survived by his wife of 63 years and partner in service, Alma Page; brother, Richard Page; children, Charles Page, Kimberly Rogan (Richard), Jay Page (Debbie) and Leigh Anne Page (William Des Rochers); grandchildren, Shannon, Beth, Corey, Evan, Emma and Maegan; great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Ernest was preceded in death by his parents and siblings, James Page, Gloria Linville and Doris Cotrill.

A memorial service will be held at 1pm Saturday, February 10, 2018 at Cross Lanes United Methodist Church with Rev. Gary Nelson and Deacon J. F. Lacaria officiating. The family will receive friends beginning at 11am. You may also visit his Tribute page at ChapmanFuneralHomes.com to share your memories of Ernest with the family.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Wednesday Community Night Dinner Program at CLUMC, 5320 Frontier Dr., Cross Lanes, WV 25313.

Chapman Funeral Home, family-owned and located at 12848 Winfield Road, Winfield is honored to serve the Page family.

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

FEB 10. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Cross Lanes United Methodist Church
5320 Frontier Drive
Cross Lanes, WV 25313

Celebration of Life

FEB 10. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Ernest A. Page, Jr.

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ Alma, Leigh Anne, and all the Page family,
I am so very sorry for your loss. I know you will miss Ernest so much, but I hope memories of the deep, close relationship you shared bring you peace.
If I may share a story... when Leigh Anne and I were in college, I wrote my first newspaper column for the student newspaper. It was about the time I camped out overnight in a parking lot for an elusive campus parking pass for my car. Leigh Anne must've brought the newspaper home, and the next time I saw Ernest, he complimented me on my writing. It made a real impact on me that this educated, accomplished man had thought I was a good writer. I still remember that feeling-- "Hey, maybe I can succeed in a journalism career."
Just one small example of the big impact Ernest had on so many young people.

Much love,
Penny Moss Sheppard and family

Penny Sheppard - February 09, 2018 at 12:54 PM



“ 78 files added to the album Life Tributes



Chapman Funeral Homes - February 07, 2018 at 08:53 AM

JO

*Leigh Anne, Alma and family,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your father and husband. He loved you all dearly. We are sending prayers to your family during this time.
Jamie Wilson Osborn and family (Knoxville TN)*

Jamie Osborn - February 07, 2018 at 03:35 PM

KT

“ *Alma,
I was so sorry to learn of Ernest's passing. He was a dedicated 4-Her and educator. The world has been a better place because of him. I remember the time we had a NET Cadre meeting and it was Ernest's birthday. He came and we sang Happy Birthday to him. I am sorry I will be unable to attend Saturday. I will certainly keep you and your family in our prayers. Thinking of you, Kathy Talley*

Kathy Talley - February 05, 2018 at 12:03 PM

“ I am so saddened by the passing of Ernie. What a wonderful man in so many ways. I met him as Coordinator for Concerned Educators Against Forced Unionism, as he was the Director of West Virginia Professional Educators, and never was there a more professional or true gentleman. I was just the other day reminded of him, when I came across a photograph of him and Alma at a CEAFU conference. She was comforting another guest's fussy baby and did an amazing job of it!

Alma, I am truly sorry for your loss.

*But the souls of the just are in the Hand of God
And no harm shall touch them*

*They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead;
And their passing away was thought an affliction
And their going forth from us, utter destruction.
But they are in peace.*

*For if before men, indeed, they be punished,
Yet is their hope full of immortality*

*For, Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed,
Because God tried them
And found them worthy of Himself.
As gold in the furnace, he proved them,
And as sacrificial offerings He took them to Himself
In the time of their visitation they shall shine
And shall dart about as sparks through stubble.*

*They shall judge nations and rule over prophets
And the Lord Shall be their King forever.
Those who trust in Him shall understand Truth
And the Faithful shall abide with Him in love
Because grace and mercy are with His holy ones
And His care is with His elect.*

Book of Wisdom 3:1-9

Cathy Jones - February 05, 2018 at 09:13 AM

WC

“ WV Professional Educators Executive Committee purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Ernest A. Page, Jr..



WV Professional Educators Executive Committee - February 01, 2018 at 08:03 PM

BA

“ Our condolences for your family during this trying time. Mr Page was always a wonderful role model to me growing up. My Grandmother, Jane Vaughan and I always enjoyed the fabulous cinnamon rolls! Prayers to you all.

Bridget Gibson Adkins - January 29, 2018 at 08:32 PM

LP

Thank you Bridget, we loved your Grandmother! She opened her home to Mom and Dad when the house burned and was such a great friend to them. Your kind words are appreciated!

Leigh Anne Page

Leigh Page - February 13, 2018 at 10:04 AM

PB

“ Ernie was a wonderful man and did a lot of service for WV 4-H and for teachers in our state. I have missed seeing him in recent years. Thoughts of him bring smiles to my face. Sympathy and prayers to family members.

Pam Boggs - January 29, 2018 at 07:54 PM