



Henry Weldon Macke

January 6, 2012

H. Weldon Macke, 81, of Gordonville died Friday, Jan. 6, 2012, at Southeast Hospital. He was born Aug. 16, 1930, at Gordonville to Albert and Dorothy Probst Macke. Weldon grew up in Gordonville and operated the family business, Macke's Store and Macke Farm Equipment Co. He and Bonnie Bierschwal were married July 11, 1954, at Cape Girardeau. Mr. Macke was the county auditor for Cape Girardeau County from 1968 to 2002. He was a member of Zion United Methodist Church in Gordonville, where he also taught Sunday school for more than 50 years. He also served the Methodist Church on local, district, conference, jurisdictional conference and general conference committees. He was a retired board member at Southeast Hospital and Old McKendree Methodist Church. He was active with the Mended Hearts program at Southeast Hospital. He served on the Southeast Missouri University Foundation Board since its founding. He was a current member of the Agriculture Committee for the School of Agriculture. Weldon was on the Crime Lab Advisory Board for Southeast Missouri. He was past president and charter member of both the Missouri Association of Counties and of the County Auditors' Association. He served on the Senior Citizen's Mill Tax Board. He was the current chairman of the Southeast Missouri Regional Planning Commission. He was a Paul Harris Fellow and member of the Jackson Rotary Club. Survivors include his wife, Bonnie Macke of Gordonville; three daughters, Pamela (Stanley) Johnson of Gordonville, Karen (Kevin) Yarbrow of Cape Girardeau and Barbie (Jeff) Stroder of Jackson; two sisters,

Dorothy Ramsey and Alberta Neil Dougan of Jackson; a nephew, Thomas (Christine) Wilson of St. Louis; five grandchildren, Rachel (Garrett) Thorne, Beth (Brad) Biri, Erica (Travis) Keller, Jack Johnson and Matthew Stroder; and four great-grandchildren, Cameron Thorne, Collin Thorne, Peyton Keller and Isabella Biri. He was preceded in death by his parents. Visitation will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. Monday at Ford and Sons Mount Auburn Chapel. The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Zion United Methodist Church in Gordonville, with the Rev. Joel Kidwell officiating with assistance by the Rev. Ann Mowery. Viewing will also be available starting at 9 a.m. Tuesday at the church. Burial will be at Zion United Methodist Church Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to Zion United Methodist Church Building Fund or charity of choice.

Tribute Wall

JH

“ Bonnie, Our Deepest Sympathy in the loss of your dear Weldon. We were so proud to have known such an important leader of the community. He was a mighty fine man and always spoke in a kind manner. Cape County has lost one of its finest. God be with you in this difficult time. You're in our thoughts and prayers. Jeff

Jack and Jeffry Hawk - October 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Sorry to read of Weldon's death. I have many fond memories of working with Weldon at the courthouse. He was always a good Christian gentlemen who possessed knowledge, common sense and a wonderful sense of humor. Bonnie, may you and your family be comforted by God's love.

Sally Strickland - October 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Bonnie, You and your family are in our prayers. Weldon was a great friend He was always willing to help out when needed. I appreciated his leadership in everything he did. I will never forget his red jacket at Annual Conference! May God lift you in peace and comfort as Weldon celebrates with Jesus. In Christ Bev, Brad & girls

Bev & Brad Rhodes - October 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Dear Bonnie, My deepest sympathy; Weldon was such a wonderful Christian friend, he was a joy to be around no matter where I met him, he was also so friendly. I know that his witness of faith will continue to bring you comfort in the years ahead and that his faith will continue to transform and encourage everyone who knew him Pastor Janet.

Rev. Janet Hopkins - September 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ May your witness of faith continue to transform and encourage those you touched.

Catherine & JC Bryant - September 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ I am so sorry to hear of Weldon's passing. He was a wonderful man and so very much liked.

Charlie Griffith - September 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ My deepest sympathies in the loss of a fine gentleman and dedicated public servant. I had the pleasure to meet and get to know Weldon through his service to Regional Planning. His leadership was a driving force for Southeast Missouri. Your family will be in my prayers. God bless.

Debbie Gahan - September 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Our condolences to the family and appreciation for all that was done for the Methodist

Rev. Leo House - September 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ I am thankful for having known Weldon. He was a kind and friendly Christian man and a role model for Christian service.

Susan Jespersen - September 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Weldon was a wonderful person who saw all people as friends, first, and then dealt with partisan matters way down the line. He was a gentleman and a true friend. My sympathies to the family and to all those who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Jane Cooper Stacy - September 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ I pray that God gives all the family strength and comfort during this sad time. You have my deepest sympathies. I am sorry for your loss. Sincerely, Kent R. Wood

Kent R. Wood - September 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Weldon was faithful to the Methodist Church in his lifetime and will be long remembered for that service. Sympathy to the family.

Donald & Mary Alice Blaylock - September 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ You were a great friend and community leader.

A. J Seier - August 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ We were so sorry to hear of Weldon's passing. He was a wonderful man and so very much liked. I know he was involved in many community boards and projects, involved with church, and family and friends. To me, he was Barbie's dad, a man who would open his home to a group of loud teenage girls, go out at night to bring us pizzas and TONS of gummi bears, try to sleep through all the giggling, and greet us with doughnuts and milk the next morning. I know he has done many good things for many people, but for me, I will very fondly remember him for these and other everyday kindnesses. If you need anything we can help with let us know. Again, we are so sorry about Weldon, he will be missed. Walter, Kristin Evan, Braden, and Graysen Johnston

Kristin Johnston - August 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ My condolences to the Macke family. I work with Pam Johnson and had the pleasure to meet her father at a meeting at SEMO a few years ago. Mr. Macke was a real gentlemen and a dedicated public servant.

Bill Marbaker - August 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Weldon was a wonderful man. He was many things to many people. I so admired his love for God, family, friends, and country. He set great examples for us to follow. Thank you Weldon for all you did for me over the years. You are missed.

Sherry Watkins - August 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Bonnie, we are so sorry for your loss. Sallie Gann's daughter called this afternoon and told us about Weldon. May God bless and comfort you and your family.*

Jim and Joann Hill - August 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Weldon was always a good friend and I will miss him. God's Blessings for his family.*

Don Strohmeyer - August 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM