



Leonard Burl Caves

February 14, 1931 - August 7, 2014

Leonard Burl Caves, formerly of Laurel, died August 7, 2014, at Alden Pointe in Hattiesburg.

Visitation will be held Sunday, August 10, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Laurel with services to follow at 3:00 p.m. Dr. Randy Turner will officiate. Interment will be at Lake Park Cemetery.

Leonard was born on February 14, 1931, in Wayne County and grew up in the Millcreek Community. He graduated from Myrick High School, Jones County Junior College, and the University of Southern Mississippi. He served in the United States Navy with distinction. He was a teacher, coach, and principal in the Jones County and Laurel School Districts. He proudly served the people of Jones County as Circuit Clerk and Chancery Clerk for 16 years. He returned to the Jackson School of Law (now Mississippi College) to earn his juris doctor degree. He practiced law for 32 years. In 1983, he formed Caves & Caves Attorneys at Law with his son, Terry L. Caves.

Leonard was married to Frances Caves for 60 years.

He was a faithful and loyal husband, father, brother, grandfather, and friend.

Leonard was a wonderful example of a selfless and loyal servant to his family. His hobbies were entertaining and loving his grandchildren and attending all of their school and extracurricular activities. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Laurel.

Leonard was preceded in death by his parents, Ras Berry Caves and Maebell Busby Caves, his brothers, Ras Lavaughn Caves, and James Haskel Caves.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Terry and Sally Caves of Laurel; his daughter and son-in-law, Tena and Allen Smith of Puckett; his daughter and son-in-law, Tracy and Jim Roseberry of Hattiesburg; his brother and wife, Roy Dennis Caves and Ann White Caves of Madison; and his sister, Sherry Ann Kostka of Columbus; five grandchildren, Risher and Christopher Caves, Jim Lindsey, Reagan Roseberry, and Frances Smith.

The family would like to express its gratitude to his care givers, Kathy Lofton, Tomeka Jackson, Orastean Jackson, Taion Woodward, Tonya Jackson, and all of the staff at Alden Pointe for their loving care and service.

The family request that memorials be made to First Baptist Church Laurel. Memory Chapel is in charge of arrangements. To view and sign the family guestbook, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Tribute Wall

VP

“ To the family of Mr. Caves: So sorry for the loss of such a wonderful man. I will never forget that big smile I would get from him when I would come in and give him a big hug. We will really miss him. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Verna Parker - August 13, 2014 at 11:54 AM

SM

“ Your father was such a joy to have on my hall at Allen Point. He always had a smile. He will be missed by everyone of us. The residents loved him as we did.
You are in our prayers.
Shirley .

Shirley Peacock - Martin - August 12, 2014 at 06:13 PM

DO

“ Terry, you are in my thoughts and prayers, may God bless your family during this time.
Debbie Flanigan Owens

DEBBIE F OWENS - August 11, 2014 at 05:42 PM

KM

“ What an honor to care or such a sweet man. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of his life.
Alden Pointe Staff

Kathy &Ricky McPhail - August 11, 2014 at 04:52 PM

GS

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. You and your family are in our prayers.

GC & Beth Strickland - August 11, 2014 at 12:26 PM

HS

“ Terry, I am so sorry to hear about the death of your father! I always had the utmost respect for Leonard, he was a good man!

Harry Shoemake - August 11, 2014 at 12:25 PM

LW

“ Prayers for the Caves family during the passing of Mr. Caves. He was always kind, considerate, very knowledgable about this profession (whether it be mortgage loan clisings or city government) & had a super influence with his family members in the law profession. He will be greatly missed!

Linda G. Walton - August 10, 2014 at 11:55 AM

EB

“ You are all in my prayers. Leonard was such a fine man and he was always so wonderful to my family.

Ellen Brown - August 10, 2014 at 09:43 AM

RB

“ I have so many wonderful memories of Leonard, Frances, and their children growing up with them as my neighbors. Priceless! Leonard was always there for us. He will be greatly missed. Terry, Tena, and Tracy, my thoughts and prayers are with you. May God comfort you now and in the days ahead. With much love, Rhonda

Rhonda Wilson Blackwell - August 10, 2014 at 09:26 AM

JB

“ So sorry for our loss.

Jo Ann Bucklew - August 09, 2014 at 08:29 PM

LM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of loss.

Linda Gay Touchstone Morris - August 08, 2014 at 08:41 PM

LM

“ So sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Leonard. I will keep you in my prayers. Love Lisa

Lisa Wooten Maples - August 08, 2014 at 07:23 PM

SB

“ Expressing sympathy to your family in the loss of your Dad and grandfather. Sharon Barham

Sharon Barham - August 08, 2014 at 06:10 PM

AS

“ Terry- our prayers are with you and the family.

Al & Marsha Smith - August 08, 2014 at 01:46 PM

JO

“ Thinking about all of your family during this time in your lives...so sorry for your loss.

Jocelyn - August 08, 2014 at 12:40 PM