



Shelby McDowell

November 2, 1924 - August 25, 2018

Shelby McDowell, 93, of Falmouth, KY, passed away on Saturday, August 25, 2018 at the Hospice of St. Elizabeth Health Care in Edgewood, KY. Born on November 2, 1924 in Neave, Kentucky, he was the youngest of four sons born to the late Theodore and Bertha Routt McDowell. Drafted when he was junior in high school, Shelby faithfully served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II. Upon returning from the service, he earned his high school diploma and started his 58 year career in the grocery business. He co-owned and operated the former Leadway Grocery in Falmouth. Next, he started working as a butcher at the former Locker Grocery in Falmouth. From there, he became the head butcher and a co-owner at the former Bi-Rite IGA in Falmouth, where he worked for over 36 years. After the 1997 flood, Shelby joined Wyatt's Super-Valu in Falmouth, from which he retired after 10 years of service. Throughout his adult life, Shelby worked as an associate with the Woodhead Funeral Homes in Falmouth and Berry, where his kind and compassionate manner helped to comfort many families. Shelby attended the Falmouth Wesleyan Church and St. Francis Xavier Church. He was a member of the Hardin- Browning Post #109, where he served as Chaplain for 29 years. Shelby was a former member of the Falmouth Volunteer Fire Department, a Kentucky Colonel, and a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters. Known for his kind words and deeds, Shelby lived his faith every day, seeking ways to help others and to support the community. To honor his extraordinary contributions, Pendleton County honored him and designated June 7, 2014,

as "Shelby McDowell Day." He married the late Mabel Austin McDowell and his wife of 34 years preceded him in death on March 21, 1977. On October 10, 1981, he married Norma Wells McDowell, and his wife of 36 years survives his passing

In addition to his wife, Norma, he is survived by two sons: Tom McDowell of Erlanger, KY and Mike (Kathy) McDowell of Falmouth, KY; three step-children: Sue (Paul) Sullivan of Butler, KY, Joyce (Mike) Schlueter of Falmouth; and Eddie (Brenda) Wells of Falmouth, KY; 18 grandchildren; several great grandchildren; and several great great grandchildren; his son-in-law, Charles Allan "Tinker" Marquardt, Sr. of Falmouth, KY; his daughter-in-law, Mary McDowell of Falmouth, KY; and a host of extended family and friends.

Shelby was also preceded in death by his son, Kenneth Wayne McDowell on July 18, 2005; his daughter Vivian Elaine McDowell Marquardt on April 19, 2011; his daughter-in-law, Brenda Raye McDowell on December 3, 2011; and his three brothers: Gene, Paul, and Cecil McDowell.

Funeral services will be held at 1 pm on Saturday, September 1, 2018, at the Woodhead Funeral Home, Falmouth, with Mike McDowell, Tom McDowell, and Bro. Nick Errico officiating. The visitations will be from 3-8 pm on Friday, August 31, 2018 and from 11-1 pm on Saturday preceding the service at the funeral home. Interment will take place in the St. Francis Xavier Cemetery, Falmouth, with full military honors by the Hardin-Browning Post #109. In lieu of flowers, ,memorials are suggested to the Falmouth Wesleyan Church Building Fund: 416 Monument Street, Falmouth, KY 41040, the Hardin-Browning Post #109: 111 Montjoy Street, Falmouth, KY 41040 ; or the Hospice of St. Elizabeth Health Care: 483 S. Loop Road, Edgewood, KY 41017.

Cemetery Details

St. Francis Xavier Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 31. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Woodhead Funeral Homes, Memorials & Cremation Service - Falmouth
310 W. Shelby Street
Falmouth, KY 41040
(859) 654-3306
office@woodheadfuneralhome.com

Visitation

SEP 1. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral

SEP 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MM

“Dad you were Loved by so many. I have so many Memories of growing up and the Good things you taught me.I will miss our mornings and our porch time. I Love You so Much and will miss you.

Michael Edward McDowell - August 31, 2018 at 06:04 AM



“My condolences to the family....it was always a family event when he was at the McDowell yearly event even when he did not feel like coming....such a plus to family and friends in Falmouth....Linda Hickerson, oldest daugjtet of the late Barbara McDowell Tootle and late grandmother Erma McDowell....they are rejoicing in seeing Jesus and families gone before them..

Linda Hicketson - August 30, 2018 at 09:26 AM

TH

“I use to work with Shelby at Bi Rite Market in 1960's. He was always such a joy to work with. He was a funny person and always smiling. My prayers for his Family. RIP, Shelby.

Trudy Hand - August 30, 2018 at 12:10 AM

SL

“our sympathy to the McDowell family.

Stan and Violet Love

stan and violet love - August 29, 2018 at 12:34 PM

YN

“ Your Friends at NKCAC purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Shelby McDowell.



Your Friends at NKCAC - August 29, 2018 at 09:14 AM

OC

“ The fondest memories I have are of Shelby at Wyatt's and his ready smile and quiet manner

Orman Conrad - August 28, 2018 at 09:28 AM

GW

“ Norma, Sue, Joyce and Eddie, I am so sorry to hear of Shelby's passing. Shelby was a good man and I considered him a part of the Wells family when he and Norma was married. I pray God will give you His peace in this time of sorrow. God bless you all.

Gary C. Wells - August 27, 2018 at 11:35 PM

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Lisa Arnold - August 27, 2018 at 07:32 PM

RG

“ To all of Shelby's family,
We are so very sorry for the loss of your dear
loved one. May God wrap his arms around
you and comfort you during this very difficult
time. You will continue to be in my thoughts
and prayers. God bless you.



Regina & Dale Gentry - August 27, 2018 at 04:20 PM