

As reported in the Cabot Star-Herald:

Charles A. Walls Jr., a Lonoke County attorney and farmer, died Dec. 17, 2001.

He was the widower of Connie Collins Walls. He was a officer in the U.S. Army and the O.S.S. on African and Italian fronts during World War II. Following the war, he served in the Judge Advocate General Corps and represented the U.S. Army in the Italian war criminal trials.

A descendant of an Arkansas pioneer family, with roots dating back to the Revolutionary War, he returned to Lonoke County to practice law and manage the family farms after the death of his father. He was awarded the Distinguished Lawyer Award for 50 years of practice by the Arkansas Bar Association. He was appointed special judge to serve on the Arkansas Supreme Court and additionally serviced as city attorney for Lonoke, Carlisle and was a member of the Lonoke County Quorum Court. In 1995 he was appointed to serve as circuit/chancery judge for the newly formed 17th Judicial District West.

He was a member of the Lonoke Baptist Church and taught a men's Sunday School class over 40 years. He was a member of the Arkansas Bar Association, a 32nd Degree Mason in the Lonoke Masonic Lodge. He served on the Lonoke School Board for 25 years and was a member of the Kiwanis Club. Chamber of Commerce and Lonoke Industrial Commission.

He is survived by two children; five grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Funeral will be held at 10.a.m. Dec. 20, at the Baptist Church in Lonoke; csh12/19/2001