In Memoriam: David Roy West, Jr.

June 5, 1945 - June 29, 2021

From the McMillan Funeral Home.

David Roy West, Jr., went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, June 29, 2021. He was born June 5, 1945 in Memphis, TN to David Roy and Lurline Ryan West. Educated in the Booneville School System, he graduated from Booneville High School having played middle school basketball and high school football. He attended Northeast Mississippi Junior College and then graduated from the University of Mississippi with a BA in Education. He taught at Lafayette County and at Coffeeville and coached football with Coach Doc Gullet.

He entered the US Army and went through basic training and finance school and then served in the US Army National Guard. After earning the Master of Education degree at Ole Miss he was employed at NEMCC where he worked in administration with various assignments spending many years as Director of Union Services. He was appointed to and served two terms as a board member for Booneville City Schools. He stepped down from the school board to run for Alderman for the City of Booneville was elected to two terms of service. He loved history and held membership in genealogical groups.

Mr. West was a member of the William Gray Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, since 2014. He was blessed with one patriot, Charles McKenney: He loved history and held membership in genealogical groups.

A Celebration of Life was held 2:00 p.m. Friday, July 2, 2021 at First Baptist Church with Dr. Bill Duncan, Dr. Lynn Jones and Bro. Jason Reed officiating. Burial at Booneville Cemetery. Services are under the direction of McMillan Funeral Home.

He is survived by his wife, Rebecca Millsaps West, two daughters – Stephanie West Williford and Elizabeth West Upchurch, two sons-in-law –Joey Williford and Will Upchurch, and four grandchildren – Abigail Williford Aldridge and husband Brad, Joseph West Williford, Isabel Grace Williford, and James David Upchurch.

