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Lenox Walter Oglesby stepped into Heaven on February 11th, 2019. Lenox was born in Meadville, MS, on July 1, 1930 to James DeMann and Nina Bernice (Brown) Oglesby. When he was seven years old, his mother died and he went to live in the Baptist Children's Home in Jackson, MS. It was there he would meet his future bride, Bobbie Westrope. He graduated from Central High School and headed to college at the University of Mississippi, where he graduated with a BA in Business. He worked at the Post Office and on the Year Book Staff while he was there. He also took ROTC, which led him to a commission in the Army as a Second Lieutenant. He and his sweetheart, Bobbie, were married in 1952. Lenox's time in the Army took him many places, both in the United States and around the world. Their daughter, Diane, was born in 1955 when he was stationed at Fort Lee, Virginia. Their son, Len, was born in 1958 when he was stationed in Germany. His service to our country included serving in the Vietnam and Korean Wars, and he also spent a year stationed in Thailand. After he retired from the Army as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1972, Lenox went back to school and obtained his teaching license from Memphis State University, and he taught high school in the Memphis area for three years. A sincere man of God, Lenox led his family in putting Christ at the center of their household. He was a devoted husband and father. He was kind and generous and had a servant's heart for his family, friends, and neighbors. He and Bobbie were faithful members of Eudora Baptist Church here in Memphis for over 40 years. They are currently members of Kirby Woods Baptist Church. Always the supportive and generous grandfather, he and Bobbie were regulars at their grandchildren's sports games and school events. All the grandchildren still talk about the fun afternoons and evenings they spent at "Mama and Dada's" house growing up. Lenox had a naturally playful spirit that was always on display with his grandchildren, and later with his great grandchildren. There was nothing Lenox wouldn't do for his family, and that is the



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mark of a genuinely good and godly man. While he will be missed beyond explanation, we can find peace in knowing he is now with our Heavenly Father and with his family members who were already there to greet him. He is survived by his loving family: wife, Bobbie Oglesby, his daughter Diane Oxner (Brent), his daughter-in-law Sallie Grant (Roy), his brother, James (JD) DeMann Oglesby (Joyce) of Arlington, Texas, his grandsons Brian Oglesby (Jennifer), Greg Oglesby, Steve Oxner (Abbey), granddaughters, Chris Markwell (Anthony), Lauren Doll (Matt), and Emily Harper (Chris), and eight great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Nina Oglesby, his son Lenox Oglesby, Jr., his brothers, Glen Oglesby (Ida Faye), Melvin Oglesby (Woodie), Myron Oglesby, and his sister Nina Jean Presley (Lee). The family will receive friends on Friday, February 15th, from 11:30 – 12:30 in the Riverside Room of Memorial Park Funeral Home and a celebration of his life will begin at 12:30.



Tribute Wall

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RO

Robert Oglesby posted:

We celebrated his life and mourned his passing with a wonderful gathering of family and friends this week. He will be missed by all who knew him.

February 16 at 11:36 AM

WO

Wayne Oglesby posted:

I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Cousin Lenox. My Dad talked so highly of him. May God's love and promise of seeing him again give you peace. Love, Wayne Oglesby

February 12 at 1:39 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Col. by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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