



Alan R. Kane

July 8, 1944 - January 31, 2010

Funeral services for Mr. Alan R. Kane will be held on Thursday the 4th of February, 2010 at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Pafford Funeral Home with Rev. Harold Hopper officiating and burial to follow in Lexington Cemetery.

Mr. Kane was born July 8, 1944 in Kalamazoo, Michigan to the now deceased Olin and Edith King Kane. He excelled at the University of Indiana obtaining his B.S., Masters and Doctorate degrees. In addition, he was a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces having served in the Navy. A philosopher once said, "Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life." Alan's chosen vocation as a timber buyer for over 25 years with the David R. Webb Lumber Co. as well as his hobbies of hunting and fishing echoed his great love for the outdoors and this sentiment perfectly. Notably, in his lifetime, he was instrumental in the planting of over a half million pine trees.

Mr. Kane is survived by his wife of 21 years, Mrs. Tracye Kane of Lexington; Tracye's son, Greg McComic and his children, Justin McComic and Allie McComic Boshers and her husband Chris, all of Lexington; his two brothers David Kane of Michigan and Olin Kane and his wife Maile of Durango, CO; his two nieces Ilima Kane of Denver, CO and Malia Pima and her husband Chris of Seattle, WA.

Inspired by Alan's love for the outdoors, the family requests memorials be

directed to the "Arbor Day Foundation" as there could be no more of a fitting tribute than to have a tree planted in his honor.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Pafford Funeral Home - Lexington, TN.
71 Monroe Avenue
Lexington, TN 38351
(731) 968-2544
info@paffordfuneralhome.com
<http://www.paffordfuneralhome.com>

Visitation

FEB 4. 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Service

FEB 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

Chapel of Pafford Funeral Home - Lexington, TN.
71 Monroe Avenue
Lexington, TN

Tribute Wall



“ *Tracye,
I just wanted you to know you are in my thoughts and prayers. Al
was such a great person, and positive influence in my life.*

*Wesley Mitchell##imported-begin##Wesley Mitchell##imported-
end##*

February 14, 2010 at 07:40 PM



“ *Tracy, my prayers are with you and your family.##imported-
begin##Barbara (Wilson) Canady##imported-end##*

February 13, 2010 at 05:49 PM



“ Al was a very special person to all the lives he touched. He will always hold a special place with our family. I first met Al in Bloomington, In when he went back to get his post graduate degree. As a long time friend of my husband Fred, he became a close and trusted friend for me. When I was pregant with our son, we were discussing first and middle names and we decided to give our son the middle name of Alan. I'll never forget one evening during this time and Al called to see how we were doing. He asked about names and we told him that, if it was a boy, we had chosen Christoper Alan. He then asked how we were going to spell Alan and thats when we told him that we had chosen that name as an honor to him. As I look back at the time I can see how fitting it was to call our son Christopher Alan. Through the years Al was a very special "Uncle" to our son. He gave him many memories "on the water" and "out in the forest" that we could never have given him. I am so blessed to have know such a special person.##imported-begin##Linda Williams##imported-end##

February 06, 2010 at 08:46 PM



“ Tracy and family, I am so sorry that I was not able to be with you at this time due to medical tests. I am thinking of you with love. Renee##imported-begin##Renee McCollum##imported-end##

February 04, 2010 at 09:34 PM



“ Tracye, I'm sorry I didn't get to visit you. My thoughts are with you. Al was a very good man. Jack##imported-begin##Jack Johnson##imported-end##

February 04, 2010 at 05:44 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are sent to all of you during this time. May God comfort and be with you all.

I know Al's soul is soaring above all the trees he helped plant; in awe of the view and the beauty of life he nurtured. May we all nurture life and take care as he did. Blessings and love, Lani and ohana (family)###imported-begin###Lani Bowman###imported-end##

February 04, 2010 at 11:29 AM



“ My Dear Tracy & My Beloved Al... Today, February 4, 2010, we thankfully lay a precious gift to rest. What a blessed day to remember the man that loved us all so much. What a scholarly man of simple means...deep and rich like the roots of the trees he loved so much. Al changed us all and helped us to see things so much more clearly...he had that way of knowing why things happen like they do...and why we should be at peace with that. Today we know and understand that peace of why we got to have Al for all those beautiful years...it was His purpose and our tremendous gain. He forever will be a part of us. This is a day that Al and I will continue to be bound by, Tracy...because today is my birthday. Oh, how I will miss my "Cuz"... but that \$2 bill you guys left in the boathouse door is a "prized possession" and Al knew that, too!###imported-begin###Beth McClure aka "Cuz" as Al would say!###imported-end##

February 04, 2010 at 10:33 AM



“ I first met Al when I was hired as a log buyer for the David R. Webb Company in the spring of 1995. I was mystified by the happy faces stamped on the ends of logs that were purchased by Al. After meeting him I soon understood why. The log stamp fit him perfectly. Not long after meeting him, he took me under his wing and helped me through my early years of this crazy business. I would call him about all types of problems and he always listened. Al helped mold me into a better person in many ways. I can't thank him enough for all he has done for me and my family. He will truly be missed.##imported-begin##Joel Niemeyer##imported-end##

February 03, 2010 at 11:06 PM



“ Traye you are in my prayers and if you need me or Gordon for anything please do call. God Bless.##imported-begin##Pamela Edgin##imported-end##

February 03, 2010 at 09:34 PM



“ my thoughts and prayers are with you.i really enjoyed the time we spent talking about sod and trees. he was always a true friend and a gentleman.

doc##imported-begin##james h barnhill##imported-end##

February 03, 2010 at 06:26 PM



“ Tracye, I only met Al a couple of times but he always came into the office to say hello when he attended the golf tournament, even if you weren't with him and that told me what kind of person he was. You and your family have my deepest sympathy and you are and will remain in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Ruth Wheatley Vanelli##imported-end##

February 03, 2010 at 09:36 AM



“ Tracye, we sere sorry to hear about Al, you will be in our prayers and thoughts.##imported-begin##Ray and Mary Sarason##imported-end##

February 03, 2010 at 08:36 AM



“ Tracye, I am so sorry for your loss. Please know that you & your family will be in my prayers.##imported-begin##Brenda Glaser (Joan Cannon)##imported-end##

February 03, 2010 at 04:11 AM



“ Tracy, May God bless you with His reassuring presence. With our deepest sympathy.##imported-begin##Brenda & Joe Kelley##imported-end##

February 02, 2010 at 11:31 PM



“ It was a privilege to know Al.##imported-begin##Kenny Roach##imported-end##

February 02, 2010 at 07:56 PM



“ I first met Al the summer of 1990. I just got out of lumber grading school working for Al's buddy Tommy Calhoun in cadiz, ky. I would roll logs for Al's and listen to every word he would say, about the logs and the wood industry, dreaming of one day being a veneer log buyer. Then by fate in 2005 I Started working for the Webb Co. And Al took me under his wing and gave me his tag hammer and said you keep my happy face brand going long after i am gone. He was a great mentor for me just starting out in the veneer log buying world. And we both agreed if you have a job you love, you will never have to work again. Sorry to hear about the lost Tracye, but we know he is in a much better place##imported-begin##Donald Cordle Jr##imported-end##

February 02, 2010 at 04:44 PM



“ We were very saddened to learn of Al's death. Our condolences. Reid##imported-begin##Reid and Mary Lynn Holbrook##imported-end##

February 02, 2010 at 11:00 AM



“ Tracye - I was so sorry to hear of Al's passing, but I hope that you can be at rest knowing that his suffering is over and he is in a better place. As you know, I too lost my mate of 39 years to this dread disease and although you never get ready to give them up, I would not want her back for her to continue to be in such suffering. May God bless in your time of grief.##imported-begin##Bill R. Martin##imported-end##

February 02, 2010 at 10:58 AM



“ *Tracye, We are so sorry to hear about AI. You will be in our thoughts and prayers...##imported-begin##Sheila & Russell Hayes##imported-end##*

February 02, 2010 at 08:32 AM



“ I first met Al in the summer of 1969. We became instant friends, which I suspect is the result of our similar approaches to whatever it was that we were doing as working colleagues and which was to work hard, but more importantly to have fun doing it. Through some unbelievable circumstances, Al and I both became managers of the hottest spot in Bloomington, IN. Al managed the dining room, which included managing a cantankerous old chef and I managed the bar & lounge attempting to keep the public within legal limits. We worked hand and glove to make what was a surprisingly marginal profit center into an excessively high profit center. As a result, we had earnings that surpassed any of our fellow classmates and which led to our having the ability to do so many things alike for the next seven to eight years. We bought new 1970 Corvettes within the same week of each other, we went on numerous road trips together and we both, after completing our undergraduate degrees, went on to earn both masters and doctorate degrees at Indiana University. While working on these advanced degrees, we ended up obtaining similar positions at IU; Al working for the IU Conference Bureau and me working for the IU Alumni Association. It was during that period of time that I met and married Linda, my bride of 36 plus years. Al was absolutely great for Linda and me early in our marriage as he inspired our initial interest in antiques and taught us how to seek them out and how to restore them, while we in turn experimented on several new receipts to Al's delight. By the way, Al only knew how to cook IU Goo back at that time. He also made himself readily available to us if and whenever we needed assistance and which seemed to be more often than not. After leaving Bloomington, we stayed in regular touch with Al while we lived in Virginia and Pennsylvania and while he ventured out into the wood buyer business. I recall, as if it were yesterday, when Al called in early December of 1981, and inquired how Linda was doing late in her pregnancy with our soon to be born son, Chris, who was born on December 14. I told Al we were both new at this and did not know all that much other than we had picked the name of Christopher if the baby is a boy. Al inquired if we had chosen a middle name and my response without hesitation was no but, since you have inquired,

it is going to be Alan for I can think of no better person than you for him to be like. In hindsight, Linda and I could not have made a better choice for Chris' middle name for Chris has exemplified several of Al's great attributes throughout his life. As far as all the Williams' are concerned, Al met and married Tracye at the perfect time for she was a great part of those annual treks we made to Lexington, TN and during which time Chris was exposed to so many, many new things about nature, water sports, wildlife, forestry, the wood business and so much more and which included the simplest of things like getting a thorn in his finger for the first time while picking blackberries, overcoming an early life challenge like getting up on water skis for the first time and experiencing the great pleasure for the first time of riding in logging equipment like loaders and skidders. Yes, we all in our own way grew to appreciate and love Al for all that he gave to us. Yes, we will all miss Al, but our found memories of him will be everlasting and will never subside.##imported-begin##Fred B. Williams##imported-end##

February 02, 2010 at 01:44 AM



“ Al played a great role in my development as a person and exposed me to all sorts of things that I never would have done on my own. Given that I have such a small family, it was very special to have Al in my life. This especially was true after my grandfather fell ill during my teenage years. Al did lots of things with me that my grandfather could no longer do (e.g., fishing). I am very grateful for all of the summers spent with Al, Tracye, and my family and am especially grateful for his generosity (e.g., helping me move home after college). I was always amazed by Al's great spirits no matter how rough the situation. I will miss Al very much and am honored to share part of his name.##imported-begin##Christopher Alan Williams##imported-end##

February 01, 2010 at 07:17 PM