

# Clarence Ernest REYNOLDS Jr. Obituary

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REYNOLDS, JR., Clarence Ernest Born in Nashville, TN on June 3, 1928; passed away peacefully at home in Nashville on September 7, 2010. He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Mayme and Clarence E. Reynolds, Sr., and his wonderful wife of 43 years, Josephine Moss Reynolds. Survived by his three children, Emily Josephine Reynolds, Ellen Clarissa Reynolds and Clarence E. "Ernie" Reynolds III, all of Nashville. He retired from Commerce Union Bank in 1987 after 41 years of service. He began his banking career shortly after graduation from West End High School, and he often said that he was "born in the vault." He was a graduate of Louisiana State University School of Banking of the South, where he was president of his class. He loved banking, and most of all, he loved people. His passion for Nashville's emerging country music industry earned him acclaim as "banker to the stars." He served his country proudly and honorably in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War, and he continued his service in the Tennessee Air National Guard, retiring as Lt. Colonel after 30 years of service. In high school, he was an avid athlete, and his skills behind home plate as a catcher caught the attention of major league baseball recruiters. Active in numerous civic, political, and charitable organizations throughout his career, he cared deeply for Nashville, and was one of its greatest promoters. He served as chairman of the Davidson County Election Commission for twelve years. His wife, Josephine, endured a long illness, and he took extraordinary care of her every step of that difficult journey. His pride and joy were his three children. Since childhood, he always loved dogs, and his three "granddogs", Millie, Blue and Buddy were his constant companions. His cat, Gus was his best pal. Services will be held at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3900 West End Avenue, Nashville, TN 37205 at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 11, 2010. Presiding will be Associate Pastor, Carson L. Salyer, Jr. A private burial will follow. Active Pallbearers are Berry Brooks, Brooks Corzine, Dan Holland, John Holland, Gerald Horner, Carson Kelly, Scott Rankin, M.D. & Chris Wicke. Honorary Pallbearers are U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander, Jim Ed Brown, Robert N. Buchanan III, U. S. Senator Bob Corker, George Currey, George Ehemann, U.S. Senator William H. Frist, M.D., Kenneth and Sylvia Funger, Jonny Harwell, Russ Hewitt, Joyce Hill, Mary Mandrell Family, Joseph George Marchetti, Arturo Monreal, Stobey Reynolds, Tandy Rice, Sean Ryan, M.D., G. S. Scoville, Jr., M.D., Fate and Jeri Thomas, Anna Morgan Trainor Family & Leroy Van Dyke. Visitation will be held at the church on Friday, September 10th from 3 to 7 p.m., and on Saturday, from 9:30 until service at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Nashville Humane Association, 213 Oceola Avenue, Nashville, TN 37209 or to the charity of one's choice. Arrangments by

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