



## JARED MADDUX OBT.

Funeral services were held today for Jared Maddux, 59, a prominent Cookeville attorney and four-time Democratic lieutenant governor of Tennessee.

Services were held at 4 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, where he was a member of the official board. The Rev. Ben Alexander officiate and burial was in Crest Lawn Memorial Cemetery.

Maddux, who twice turned down chances to seek the governorship of Tennessee, died Saturday at his home on Clark Ave. He was found by his wife shortly before noon in the hallway after he returned from a walk in his yard.

He suffered a heart attack April 19, 1966, while trying a case in Putnam County General Sessions Court and underwent surgery to replace a valve in his heart in September 1967 at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN.

A native of Buffalo Valley, he began his political career in 1943 when he was appointed assistant clerk of the Tennessee House of Representatives, four years after receiving his law degree from the East Tennessee Law School at Johnson City.

In 1945, at the age of 33, Maddux was elected state comptroller, a post, he resigned a short time later to enter the U. S. Navy during World War II. He returned to the post following the end of the war and served as comptroller until 1949 when he opened a law office in Cookeville.

From June 1950 until June 1965 Maddux served as Cookeville city judge.

He had strongly considered making the race for Democratic nomination for governor in 1958 and 1962, but never offered himself as an active candidate.

His legislative career began in 1952 when he was elected to the state Senate. He subsequently served as lieutenant governor and speaker of the Senate in 1953, 1955, and 1957.

In July 1958, Maddux was elected state commander of the American Legion and resigned from the Senate terming his resignation "a sacrifice but one that is worth taking."

It was while he was commander of the Legion that Maddux first publicly acknowledged that he might run for governor. Although he did not make the race in 1958, he again considered the office in 1962 saying:

“I am now 50 years of age and I have concluded that if I ever expect to make the race, it should be this year or never.”

However, he deferred again from making the race and supported Gov. Frank G. Clement, who was re-elected.

Maddux then successfully ran again for the Senate and served as floor leader for Clement in 1963, following his fifth election to the Senate, Maddux again was named lieutenant governor and speaker of the Senate.

“I want to make it plain that I was working under the provisions of the law,” he recalled of his childhood, and not working out a jail sentence.”

The Senate voted 32 to 0 for repeal of the bill, one of several out of date laws repealed that year.

Maddux had a background in banking which began in 1936 when he was employed by the Citizens Bank in Elizabethton while attending law school. At the time of his death he was a member of the Board of Directors of First National Bank of Cookeville.

He was a past president of the Tennessee Junior Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Cookeville Jaycees, Putnam County Chamber of Commerce, a past president of the Cookeville Lions Club and a member of the American, Tennessee and Putnam County Bar Associations. He currently served as a member of the National Legislative Committee of the American Legion.

He was a 32rd degree Mason, a member of Al Menah Shrine Temple and a member of the official board of Cookeville First United Methodist Church.

Maddux was a son of the late Solon and Daisy Jared Maddux.

On July 6, 1935 he married the former Virginia Lane, who survives.

The family has requested that friends make contributions to the Jared Maddux Scholarship Fund at Tennessee Technological University at Cookeville in lieu of flowers.

Survivors also include two daughters, Mrs. Virginia Moore, who with her husband, Dean Moore, are partners in Maddux’ law firm, and Miss Rachel Maddux, a student at Vanderbilt University; a son, John Jared Maddux Jr., a senior law student at the University of Tennessee, and two brothers, Crit C., Venice, FL and Noel Maddux, Etowah, TN.

Active pallbearers will be Sen. Ernest Crouch, McMinnville; Sen. Joe Pipkin, Memphis, Kenneth McPherson, Nashville, A. I. Myhr, Nashville, Coleman A. Harwell, Nashville, Dr. Everett Derryberry, Cookeville; Dr. Louis Johnson, Cookeville, Dave Maddux,

Cookeville; Joe Frank Judgens, Nashville, Ed Hooper, Cookeville, and Tommy Lynn, Cookeville.

Honorary pall bearers were:

Judges and attorneys of the Fifth Judicial Circuit; Members of the 78<sup>th</sup>, 79<sup>th</sup>, 80<sup>th</sup>, 83<sup>rd</sup> and 84<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of TN; Officers and Directors of First National Bank of Cookeville; Past Dept. Commanders of American Legion;

Honorable Albert Gore; Honorable H. S. Walters, Morristown; Congressman Joe L. Evins; Chief Justice Ross Dyer; Associate Justice George McCannless; Lt. Governor John Wilder;

Charles R. Miller, Jr.; Arnold Carter, James Carlen, Dr. Jere Lowe, Dr. William A. Hensley, Johnny McCawley, Jr., Fred Roberson, Robert Bilbrey, W. B. Carlen Jr.;

Pope Bain, Murrell Snell, Chris Ritts, Vince Jessee, Don Tetrick, Earl Reasor, Barney Greene, John Cooke, R. E. Taliaferro;

Alfred T. Adams, Jr., Leroy B. Moore, Dr. Stewart L. Nunn, J. Howard Warf, James Alexander, Joe Henry, Jr., Judge Robert Clement, Dr. Andy Holt and James W. McLemore.

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\* See Book of Jared: Stories - Henry D. & Betsy Ann (Jared) Nichols Story

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