## **Steve Hershel Lake Obt.**

b. 14 December 1938, Tuscaloosa, AL – d. 29 November 2014, Davidson Co., Nashville, TN, md Geraldine (Vaughn) Lake. Steve Hershel Lake, s/o Marion Carroll and Mary Catherine Lake.

PULASKI — Steve Hershel Lake, 74, of Pulaski, passed away on Saturday, Nov. 29,

2014, at St. Thomas West in Nashville.

He was born on Dec. 14, 1938, in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

He was a loving husband, father and grandfather, a member of First Baptist Church in Pulaski, and veteran of the Alabama National Guard. He was a former publisher of the Cookeville Herald-Citizen from 1969 to 1976, Carthage Courier, and Pulaski Citizen, and former president of the Tennessee Press Association.

Funeral service was at 11 a.m. today, Monday, Dec. 1, at First Baptist Church in Pulaski, with Rev. Tony Gomillion officiating.

## **Burial followed in Maplewood Cemetery.**

Memorials are suggested to Martin Methodist College, First Baptist Church Building Fund, Giles County Library, or the charity of your choice.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marion Carroll Lake and Mary Catherine.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Geraldine Vaughn Lake of Pulaski; a son, Steven Charles (Kathy) Lake of Pulaski; a son, David Christopher (Sloan) Lake of Pulaski; his grandchildren, Anslee, C.J., Addie and Madeline; his brothers, Arthur and Mike of Alabama; his sister, Elaine of Alabama; several nieces, nephews and many friends also survive.

Bennett-May-Giles County Funeral Home in charge of arrangements for Steve Hershel Lake.

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## Former publisher Steve Hershel Lake dead at 75

PULASKI, Tenn. (AP) -- Family and friends on Monday mourned the passing of Steve Hershel Lake, a former publisher and president of the Tennessee Press Association.

Lake died Saturday at Saint Thomas Hospital in Nashville after a long illness, according

to the Bennett-May-Giles Funeral Home in Pulaski. He was 75.



Funeral services were held Monday at First Baptist Church in Pulaski.

Lake was born in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, but called Pulaski home for years. He was a veteran of the Alabama National Guard and former publisher of the Cookeville Herald-Citizen, Carthage Courier and Pulaski Citizen.

Mike DeLapp, current publisher of the Herald-Citizen, said Lake was publisher at the newspaper from 1969 to 1976. He said Lake was a dedicated newspaper man with a cheerful personality.

"Whenever you saw Hershel, he was always the same jovial person," DeLapp said. "You could hear him laughing before you ever saw him."

Frank Gibson, public policy director for the Tennessee Press Association, said Lake was the epitome of a community journalist.

"He was devoted to his family, committed to the community that his newspaper served, and a leader in the industry in this state."

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