

RALPH H. DYER OBT.

b. 26 February 1925, Putnam Co., TN
d. 5 June 1998, Lebanon, Wilson Co., TN
s/o Russell P Dyer & Kittie Belle Johnson
b/o Paul Dyer of Baxter, TN



COOKEVILLE: Funeral services for Ralph H. Dyer, 73, who, with his brother, Paul Dyer, founded Dyer Funeral Home more than 30 years ago, will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at Jefferson Avenue Church of Christ. Burial will be in the Crest Lawn Memorial Cemetery, TN.

Mr. Dyer died Friday, June 5, 1998 at University Medical Center in Lebanon.

He was born February 26, 1925 in Putnam County and was the son of the late Russell P. and Kittie Belle Johnson Dyer.

He was a army veteran of World War II with the 34th Infantry, 24th Division serving in the Philippine Islands and was awarded the Purple Heart and other service medals. He was also a member of VFW 6296.

Mr. Dyer was a member of Jefferson Avenue Church of Christ.

A 1961 graduate of John A. Gupton School of Mortuary Science in Nashville, Mr. Dyer founded Dyer Funeral Home in Cookeville in 1966 with his brother Paul Dyer, and served as funeral director and embalmer.

In 1997, he was recognized for 50 years of service in the funeral profession by the Tennessee Funeral Director Association, of which he was a member. He was also a member of the Upper Cumberland Funeral Director Association.

His family includes his daughter and son-in-law, Tom and Karen Dyer of Cookeville; a sister and brother-in-law, Peggy and Henry Richardson of Cookeville; brother and sister-in-law, Paul and JoAnn Loftis Dyer of Cookeville; and grandchildren, Jennifer Leigh Dyer of Cookeville, Shannon and Joe Agee of Nashville, and Matt Bennett of Goodlettsville.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Martha Leigh Fox Dyer, who died on December 22, 1985; a sister, Frances Dyer Tribble; brother T. J. Dyer and also an infant brother.

Family members will serve as pallbearers.

The family will receive friends at Dyer Funeral Home today from 1-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. and at the church on Monday from 10-11 a.m.

Bro. Glen McDoniel and Bro. Jerl Weeks will officiate at the services.

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Paul Dyer

Since the founding of our Dyer Funeral Home in 1966 by Ralph and Paul Dyer, we have been a valuable resource for the community and we are committed to upholding the highest ethical and professional standards possible. Our desire is to meet and surpass your expectations in making final arrangements for your loved one. Our highly trained associates are committed to continuously improving the personal and dedicated service that has come to be expected from Dyer Funeral Home.

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Welcome to our funeral home. This is our chapel, which seats over 250 people. We have designed this room to create a feeling of warmth and comfort for our families during their time of grief. Our desire to be flexible and our ability to fulfill the needs of families during the loss of a loved one is the highest priority to our caring and thoughtful staff. We know that quality assistance is

critical to a family at a difficult time. Funeral Services at Dyer Funeral Home are conducted with an attitude of reverence and dignity.

The Grand Hall Way is made to look like home. It is large enough for friends to gather and visit. We hope the large hallway will help you feel more comfortable when you walk through our home.

When families need time alone, or would like to just sit and visit, we have made a room for that purpose. This family room is also a place for family members and friends to gather both before and after the ceremonies.

Dyer Funeral Home has two large state rooms to comfortably serve families when the need arises. We feel that our facilities are the most spacious in town. These state rooms are separated from the main chapel to give the families using them more privacy as well. Either of these state rooms can also be used as a chapel for a private ceremony.

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Paul Dyer & JoAnn Pendergrass Loftis Dyer, 2005.

ROGER K. BURKE JOINS FUNERAL HOME STAFF

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COOKEVILLE: Dyer Funeral Home recently announced **Roger K. Burke** has joined the staff as an associate and serves as a licensed funeral director and embalmer.

Burke is a native of Cookeville. He entered the funeral industry while still in high school with **Ed Hooper**, **Earl Huddleston**, and **Ralph Dyer**. He attended the University of Tennessee and John A. Gupton School of Mortuary Science. Burked is a licensed insurance agent and former medical technician.

Burke is a member of the Cookeville Masonic Lodge and Cookeville Evening Lions Club. He serves as district governor for Lions International and has been recognized as a Melvin Jones Fellow. Burked has received several international awards.

Burke previously served as manager of a Nashville funeral home as well as assistant general manager and manager of a local funeral home and cemetery operation.