



## Carl Wells,

May 25, 1932 - January 20, 2013

Carl Wells Sr., 80, husband of Virginia Prewitt Wells, passed away Sunday, January 20, 2013, at his home. He was born May 25, 1932 in Perry County, Kentucky, the son of the late William H. and Scythia Drake Wells. On March 29, 1952, he married Virginia Dare Prewitt in Hazard, Kentucky and from that union had two sons, Paul Wayne Wells and Carl Wells, Jr. In January of 1956, he received his Funeral Director's License from the Kentucky Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors and in May of 1961 he graduated from Kentucky School of Embalming. He truly loved his community and dedicated his life to serving the needs of his fellow Powell Countians through the Wells Funeral Home and Wells Ambulance Service. He also served as Powell County Coroner for forty four years. He was a member and deacon of Stanton Christian Church, longtime member of Stanton and Clay City Lions Clubs, member and Past Master of Stanton Masonic Lodge F&AM 352, member of the Oleika Shrine Temple of Lexington and a former member of the Order of Eastern Star. He was a charter member of both the Powell County Flying Club and Beechfork Golf Club and was a former Boy Scout Leader of Troop #351. He also served on the Powell County Board of Directors of Whitaker Bank. Survivors include; wife of 60 years, Virginia Prewitt Wells; Son, Carl Wells, Jr.; Grandchildren, Joshua Wells, Stanton, Megan and Husband, David Davis, Stanton, Heather and Husband, Shannon Combs, Richmond, and Rebecca Wells, Stanton; Great-Grandchildren, Josh Davis, Virginia "Jenna" Davis, Grant Wells, Whitley Combs, and Braeden Combs; Sister, Catherine

Pennington, Hazard; Many nieces and nephews and a host of friends. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by; Son, Paul Wayne Wells; Brothers, Jerry, William Junior, Clarence, and Charles Wells, and Sisters, Martha Crawford, Minerva Eversole, Mary Gibson, and Louise Harvey. Funeral Services will be held at 1:00 PM Friday, January 25, 2013, at the former Wells Funeral Home, 375 West College Ave, Stanton . Visitation Wednesday and Thursday beginning at 4:00. Burial in the Stanton Cemetery with Josh Wells, David Davis, Shannon Combs, Josh Davis, Braeden Combs, and his nephews serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers serving, Darlene Smallwood, Brenda Tipton, Jennifer Marcum, Sonja Stone, Hospice East Staff, past employees of Wells Funeral Homes and Wells Ambulance Service, Dr. Charles Noss and Staff, Employees of Whitaker Bank. Donations suggested to Clay City First Church of God Food Ministry, 4200 Main Street, Clay City, Kentucky 40312 and Powell's Valley Baptist Church Food Ministry, 126 Powell's Valley Road, Clay City, Kentucky 40312.

# Tribute Wall

RE

“ *I have many fond memories of Mr. Wells. He was such a kind man. He will be missed by all who knew him!* ”

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**Reta** - March 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *We r sorry from David nester and crystal hatton* ”

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February 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Carl Wells,* ”

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**Jack Salyers** - February 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *So sorry for the loss of a dedicated funeral director. He was one of my favorites at the coroner's training in Morehead. Had intentions of coming to pay my respects and the death of a State Trooper came up. My sincere condolences to Mrs. Wells and the family.* ”

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**Robert Palmer** - January 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Thanks to all of you who have accurately described in loving words our beloved Pap. His profound influence on the lives of our family can be told through countless family stories. He truly loved our family and your families as witnessed throughout the years through his kind, loving, humble character and service. For years, he was the calm voice who helped those in need of his service either through the ambulance and/or funeral business. On Pap, all of us could depend through all kinds of weather and life situations. From bringing little ones into the world to assisting us in the burial of our loved ones, he truly loved our family and your families. His love for all of us came from his close personal relationship with God. One of his favorite things to do was to pack the pew on Sundays and our family grew until we had to extend to two pews. He was appreciative of the life that God provided him and his family. His constant devotion and service to his fellowman regardless of socio-economic status impacted the manner in which he conducted his funeral business for over fifty years. His faithfulness to his family, church and community will be felt for years to come. In his final years, he taught all of us how to pass from this life into eternity with dignity and love. Today, our hearts are heavy as we mourn the loss of a wonderful father, husband, grandfather and father-in-law. Our family will always have happy memories of Pap, teaching through example, how to live life to the fullest in style with character. We have our memories and will always think of him as being with us as we see his characteristics in the lives of our children and grandchildren. Tomorrow, our family will pay our last respects to Pap as we conduct his funeral in the funeral home in which he conducted funerals for fifty years. To those who have worked for our family over the years and to those families for whom we have served, we express our deepest gratitude. At Pap's side in the business over those fifty years was faithful Granny answering the phones and staying right beside Pap. Pap truly loved Granny and their 60 years of marriage demonstrated his love for her. Sadly, our family will never be the same without Pap telling us that it is a wonderful life, however; we are so blest to have been part of the life of such a wonderful man who worked diligently for others, stood tall

*in adversity and loved unconditionally. We look forward to seeing our beloved Pap in a better place where united again, we will have a wonderful eternity*

Stephanie Wells - January 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ I will remember his kindness always.

Alice Cole Thies - January 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Carl will be miss not only by all of his friends and family in Powell County but by the many people he has touched over the years that now live all over the world. Powell County has lost a mighty gentle man.

Debbie Pelfrey - January 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.

Stephen Todd - January 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ May God bless the family and friends as they mourn the loss of Mr. Carl Wells here on this earth, but continue to keep his memories alive and look forward to seeing him again in Heaven ! My Father made me promise him that when he passed away that I would get Mr. Wells to take care of his funeral as he had done past Family members for years, that shows how a highly respected man Mr. Carl Wells was.

Bernice Shuler - January 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ I always remember him being so nice to our family when I was little. He was there for my parents. when they lost thier parents, aunts & uncles.Thanks

Donna Burus - January 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ Carl and his family helped our family thru those difficult times when you lose your loved ones, with such love. He will be missed. Prayers for you Virginia and your family.

Ronnie - January 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ Keeping the Wells family in my thoughts and prayers. Carl was always such a sweet and thoughtful man.He will truly be missed.

Glenna Gentry - January 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ My heart was sadden when I heard the news of Carl's passing .May God strengthen Virgina & the Wells family left behind .He will surely be missed in our family (Napier)He was one Great Man.Powell County's loss but Heaven's gain. Juanita Campbell,Mary Lou Stapleton,Opal Buckland,Lillie Taulbee

Juanita Campbell - January 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ so sorry to hear about carl hes has taken care of so many of my family members, we will miss him a lot Debbie Curtis Brewer & Family

January 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you.

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**Larry Meadows** - January 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ I am really sorry to hear about the death of Carl Wells Sr. May God be with you and your family during this time My prayers are with you!

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**Rhonda Muse** - January 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ I was so sorry to hear about Carl, Sr. He was and is one of the most respected people in Powell County. Carl was a person any community would be honored to have as one of their citizens. I know it was an honor for me to have known him and his family. I will always remember him as kind and helpful with a great big smile on his face. My thoughts and prayers are with his family during this difficult time.

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**Laura** - January 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ My heart is broken with the passing of a GREAT GREAT man, Carl Wells. Sr., of Stanton. Me and Mother went to visit Carl and Virginia back in September when Granny Patrick passed away. They both were sitting side by side watching TV. Before we left, we gave them both a kiss and told them that, “We loved them.” I worked for Carl and Virginia when they operated Wells Ambulance Service and Funeral Homes. You couldn't have found anywhere, two kind, sweet and caring people as Mr. and Mrs. Wells. I still think about those times when me and Carl would make ambulance runs and death calls together. Me and Carl, being together, talking and laughing, would help the pain and heartache that we seen in our line of work. I remember on several occasions driving the ambulance in the early morning hours along the Mt. Parkway, Carl, would try and get some sleep lying on the stretcher in back of the ambulance. We had to get sleep when we could. We could pull the ambulance into the Bay, and turn right around and get another call. I remember when me, Carl and Virginia would sit together in the swing behind the Funeral Home. Those times were some of the best that I ever spent. He was so positive and never did have a negative word for anyone. He tried to see the best in people. Carl never did turn anyone down because of payment and treated everyone the same. There will never be a person like Carl Wells., Sr. I wish just a few people could be as special as him. It would make this world such a better place to live.

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**Boyd Patrick** - January 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ So Sorry to hear about Mr. Wells. Prayers and love to all the Wells' family and my deepest sympathy. God Bless.

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**Patricia Pinson** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ I know the angels in Heaven are rejoicing and welcoming one of their own! I had the honor and let me say it was an HONOR to work with Mr. Wells for years through the Clark Regional Medical Center ER. In all my years of nursing and working with Mr. Wells, I NEVER heard him say a bad word or negative thing about anyone! I've seen him shake his head a few times :) but to utter a single negative or bad word against anyone, I can honestly say....I never did.... and I can't say that about too many people, if any. In one word, he was a true 'gentle man'. Rest well and know that your work here on earth was a blessing to each and every one you helped along the way. Prayers and love to all the Wells' family and my deepest sympathy.

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**Leslie Baker** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VI

“ Mr. Wells touched the hearts of many throughout Powell County for many years. Our thoughts and prayers goes out the the family. RIP Mr. Wells

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**Virgil** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BO

“ We were so sorry to hear of the death of Carl Wells. He was always such a nice person. Always a smile. We know he will be greatly missed.

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**Bob** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ So Sorry to the family for the loss, Carl was always good to me. I have a lot of good memories working with him in the community, and at the lodge. His support of a lot of good things in our county will be missed. RIP Brother Carl

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**J** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ He was a good man as I remember him as a young boy. His sons and I grew up together and I was always welcome at his home. He will be missed by many, I am sure of that. The family has my sympathy.

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**Steve Sparks** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ I will always remember his kindness in serving our family when my husband passed away a few years ago, as well as when my father passed, almost 40 yrs. ago.

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**Elsie Sparks** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear of mr. Wells passing, he was a great man, was so good to the Bolin and Duff family. Will be greatly missed. Betty Jo & Rodney Duff Winchester, Ky.

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January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ He will be greatly missed and Carl thank you for helping this county so much over the years of service.

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**Mike Sparks** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ although I graduated from Powell Co High School, The education I got from the Carl Wells School of higher learning was unmatched as a 18 year old first paid employee of Wells Funeral home. Things I learned from him could never be taught in school. Shelby Hall Fairborn, Ohio

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January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *Mr. Wells embodied the word 'servant' to his community. He was always there when we needed him and served our family with compassion and respect. A true gentleman. He will be greatly missed.*

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**Kathy** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *The Wells/Davis family has my sympathy. May the good memories you have of Carl bring you comfort in the days ahead. Dean Rogers, Leeco, Ky.*

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January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WH

“ *I'd like to say Thank You to Mrs. Wells, Carl Jr. and all the grandkids for sharing Mr. Wells with all of us for so long. I'm praying for God's peace to surround each of you and carry you until you see him again.*

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**Wilma Henry** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Megan Carl was a True friend to the people of Powell County I will miss him setting in the swing on summer days with Virginia and watching time go by He will be sadly missed by our family Garner and Eva Humphrey*

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January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Wells Family. We will be praying that God gives you strength to get through the loss of such a wonderful man. Powell County will never be the same without Carl, Sr. What a beautiful example he was for everyone - he would do anything to help anyone. God bless you all.

Darlene - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RU

“ SADLY MISSED NEVER FORGOTTEN REST .IN.PEACE.CARL WELLS SR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL

RUBY - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Carl was a greaat self made man that will be sadly missed by all that knew him. He always had a kind word and smile for everyone. Big shoes to fill. God Bless. Bob and Angelyn Maloney

January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ We were so sorry to hear about Carl. He was a true friend and will surely be missed. I'm sure Heaven is a little sweeter with him there! God bless you all, Christine and Darrell Randall and Janet Pasley

Christine Randall - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of Mr Wells, He was a true hero to our community and he cared about the people of Powell County, although the loss is so severe theirs comfort in knowing that his suffering is over and he is Resting in Gods Hands. My thoughts and Prayers are for his wonderful family May God Keep you Strong.

Terry and Joyce Patton - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Powell County has certainly lost a kind, gentle, and compassionate man. He always treated everyone with respect and dignity, no matter their social status. I have known him practically my entire life, and he was just a quiet, but very intelligent man; always there to offer solace to those who were enduring the loss of a loved one. May you rest in peace, Mr. Wells. My thoughts and prayers to the family and friends who can take comfort that he is in a better place.

Robin Stamper - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ GOD BESS AND COMFORT YOU ALL.MR WELLS WILL BE GREATLY MISSED.

MARTHA CAMPBELL - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BO

“ Prayers go out to the family. He will truly be missed.

Bob - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ He comforted so many of us in our times of sorrow. He served his community with compassion and respect. Our community lost a wonderful man today, but heaven gained a great Angel. God Bless his dear family during this time of great loss.

Rebecca Elam - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ MR. WELLS WAS A WONDERFUL MAN WITH A BIG HEART. HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED. THE CAMPBELL'S

January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

OC

“ *Many wonderful memories of Carl. He was a true friend to everyone and a great brother in law. Our sympathy to the family and the community in their loss. The Combs family-Oliver, Sylvia, Brenn, Amber, Mark, Tina, Hunter and Taylor*

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**Oliver Combs** - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ *RIP Mr. Wells. Thank you for being such a kind gentle man.*

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**Lavonna Halsey** - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *so sorry to hear of the passing of a special person he took care of a lot of our familys member in the past , my condolence to the family RHODA ANDERSON.*

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January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *Our thoughts and prayers to the Wells family. He was truly one of the finest men I have ever known and a friend of the Rogers family. He was a friend to all of Powell county and beyond, performing his much needed service, and endearing compassion.*

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**James** - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NR

“ *So Sorry to Hear about Carl, he was a good man, He will be greatly Missed. My heart goes out to his family, He was good to my family and my Granmother Doshie Hatton thought alot of him. May he rest in peace, Megan we are here if you need us, May God Bless you all. The Hatton/ Rogers family ( Hatton Creek)*

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**Norma Lee Rogers** - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ So sorry to hear of the loss of a very dear friend to all of Powell county. Mr. Wells was always a kind and compassionate man. Our prayers go out to the family.

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**Tony Rogers** - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ So sorry to hear about Mr. Wells. He has always been a good friend to the Hall family. Love and prayers from all of us! Kenneth and Pam Puckett

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**Pam Puckett** - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Today as our Hearts ache at the Loss of a Most Wonderful, Compassionate Man. Mr. Wells has always been good to Everyone, including my Family (Marcum). As Mr. Wells has always been here for all of us, We are now here for All of his Family. May you rest in the Almighty Arms of God. You will be Deeply Missed. Thank you for Always Being there to lend a helping hand to everyone. Heaven has Truly gained a Very Special Angel.

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**Shelley Marcum** - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ So sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Wells. He has been a great friend for many years gone by and will be missed.

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**David** - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ So sorry to hear about Mr. Wells. Mr. Wells and Mrs. Wells was always so good to my family {Watson}.

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**Trevia Hensley** - January 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss. He was a true gentleman, it is a loss to the whole community. Mary & AC Moore

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