



## Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr.

April 30, 1951 - September 28, 2018

Ernest Dudleson, 67, husband of honorable Sara Walter Combs, passed away Friday, September 28, 2018 at Jefferson Place Louisville surrounded by his family. He was born April 30, 1951, in Martin, Kentucky to the late Ernest Franklin and Fannie Pyatt Dudleson. He was a United States Marine Veteran. He was retired from the Kentucky State Police and Eastern Kentucky University Kentucky Department of Criminal Justice Training Center. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church. Survivors include: wife, Honorable Sara Walter Combs; sons, Michael Dudleson, Stanton, and Mark (Kelley) Dudleson, Monroe, OH; daughter, Mary Beth (Jamie) Martin, Carbondale, IL; brothers, Everett (Marcella) Dudleson, Mansfield, OH, and Don (Carol) Dudleson, Greenville, SC; sister, Wanda (Doug) Moore, Martin; grandchildren, Derek Minges, Devin Minges, Dylan Dudleson, Davis Dudleson, Drew Martin, Katie Martin, Matthew Dudleson, Emma Dudleson, and Michaela Dudleson. Services Monday, October 1, 11:00AM, Davis & Davis Funeral Home, Stanton, by Rev. Johnny Hurt. Visitation Sunday, 5-9pm, at the funeral home. Burial in Stonegate Cemetery, Stanton with Derek Minges, Dylan Dudleson, Davis Dudleson, Drew Dudleson, Matthew Dudleson, Eddie Barnes, and Brad Nester. Honorary pallbearers serving, Devin Minges, Larry Patterson, Danny Rogers, Anthony Fannin, and Jeff Roberts.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **30**. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wells Funeral Home  
777 W. College Avenue  
P.O. Box 33  
Stanton, KY 40380  
(606) 663-9480  
davisanddavisfuneralhome@yahoo.com  
<https://www.ddfh.net>

## Funeral Service

OCT **1**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

PU

“ Sara, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. So sorry for your loss. Take good care and God bless.

*Paula Underwood*

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**Paula Underwood** - October 22, 2018 at 09:22 AM

BW

“ Dear Sara, Please know I am thinking of and praying for you during this time of grief and mourning. Betty Williams

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**Betty Williams** - October 18, 2018 at 11:16 AM

KR

“ I'm honored to have met Ernie and been able to care for him while he was sick. I know that he is at peace. And I pray for peace for you, Sara and all of his family now in this difficult time.

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**Kathy, RN** - October 04, 2018 at 07:28 AM

SM

“ Sara and Family,

*Bill and I are so sorry to hear of Ernie's passing. Dr. Sadlo so graciously has keep us informed through out your past years illness / recovery journey. Ernie absolutely gave it his all ~ as did you. You both have been so brave and strong. I know Ernie's at peace now, not suffering and you have gained a guardian angel to watch over you. Please know you all our on the Musselman Family prayer list.*

*Bill and Shannon Musselman*

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**Shannon Musselman** - October 03, 2018 at 11:52 PM



“ *Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..*



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October 01, 2018 at 02:47 PM



“ *Dear Sara, My Deepest Sympathy! This is not an ending but a new beginning of eternal life in our Father's heavenly home. Hugs and Prayers, Love you!!*

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**Joyce Robinson** - October 01, 2018 at 11:34 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy and prayers, Bob + Laura Babbage*

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**Bob Babbage** - October 01, 2018 at 08:48 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..*



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September 30, 2018 at 10:06 PM

GR

“ Earnie and I were both in the old KSP Narcotic Section before it merged into what is now DESI East and DESI West. I never got to work hand-in-hand with Earnie but we always got together at monthly meetings. I was always impressed with Earnie in that he was low key yet was able to do his job, unlike some of the other narcs. We would discuss KSP policy and what changes we thought were necessary in order for undercover narcotic officers to better do their job. Although Earnie was in the East and I the West, I always looked forward to seeing Earnie because what you saw in Earnie was someone genuine.



RIP EARNIE DUDLESON

SGT. GEORGE WELLS (RETIRED)

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**GEORGE WELLS KSP RETIRED** - September 30, 2018 at 08:37 PM

CA

“ Century Aluminum purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..



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**Century Aluminum** - September 30, 2018 at 03:22 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Wells Funeral Home** - September 30, 2018 at 12:36 PM

JH

*Remember the fun times at MARTIN High School watching the purple flash basketball team with one of the players Ernie . He will never be forgotten in his hometown of MARTIN  
Prayers for his children and grandchildren  
Jayne Howard*

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**Jayne Howard** - September 30, 2018 at 01:20 PM

SY

“ He would give you the shirt off his back just to make sure you was warm, he would even take the last money out of his wallet even if it meant he would starve if he knew it would help you and he loved the Powell County community so much and he will be dearly missed by my whole family and will never be forgotten he has done so much kindness to be taken so soon, I remember our conversations where he said Sara Combs was his true love who cared for him the most, I hated seeing him in so much pain and not getting to see his family like he wanted to cause they lived so far away and other problems, life's too short for mishaps but I wish people was nicer to him like he was to everybody else cause he was truly the most kindest man ever and didn't deserve it, we talked all the time about life's problems but he always held his head high and made the best of every situation, in every aspect he was the perfect man never taking from anybody else and never complaining or putting someone else down always love even for the people who did him badly, I'm crying writing this cause i didn't get to see him cause i was out of town and wouldn't of wanted to see him in the shape he was in cause i wanted to remember the lively vibrant Ernie that I came to know, love, and respect and i will end this on a you will be dearly missed Friend and FLY HIGH MARINE!!!



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Sylvia - September 30, 2018 at 10:17 AM

SA

“ Sarah lit a candle in memory of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr.



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sarah - September 30, 2018 at 09:57 AM

JA

“ Please accept my condolences for your loss. Grief can be so hard, but the fond memories you cherish can comfort and sustain you during this time. 1 Peter 5:6,7

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**Jal** - September 30, 2018 at 08:33 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..



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September 30, 2018 at 12:58 AM

VM

“ A very kind hearted, soft spoken man. Prayers for all of the family!

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**Vickie Miller** - September 29, 2018 at 08:37 PM

RH

“ Ernie was one of the bravest men I ever knew and an excellent instructor. God's Speed Troop.

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**Rodney Holbrook** - September 29, 2018 at 07:34 PM

CG

“ Columbia Gas purchased the Simply Elegant Spa thiphyllum for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..



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**Columbia Gas** - September 29, 2018 at 07:08 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..*



September 29, 2018 at 11:05 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..*



September 29, 2018 at 10:12 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..*



September 29, 2018 at 09:39 AM



“ *From your Martin buddy: Clara Helen Salisbury Marks purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..*



**From your Martin buddy: Clara Helen Salisbury Marks -**  
September 28, 2018 at 11:56 PM

CM

“ Junior and I grew up together in Cummingsville along with the Osborn kids. We had so much fun playing the pinball machine at his stepfather's store. We would play all day on a quarter. Great memories of a dear friend. Rest In Peace my friend.



*Clara Salisbury Marks*

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**clara Salisbury Marks** - September 28, 2018 at 11:48 PM

MS

“ My Dear Sara, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayer at with you and all the family. Love you my friend.



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**Mildred Schiffer** - September 28, 2018 at 11:38 PM

GF

“ Gary Frazier lit a candle in memory of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr.



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**Gary Frazier** - September 28, 2018 at 10:30 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..*



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September 28, 2018 at 08:10 PM



“ *Judge Combs, I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers. Patty Brauer*



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**Patty Brauer** - September 28, 2018 at 07:16 PM



“ *Alma Lee lit a candle in memory of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr.*



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**alma Lee** - September 28, 2018 at 06:31 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..*



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September 28, 2018 at 06:09 PM



“ *Your friends at The Marmon Group purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..*



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**Your friends at The Marmon Group** - September 28, 2018 at 05:36 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Dudleson Jr..*



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September 28, 2018 at 05:20 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers to the family of a friend and former neighbor who was always there when we needed help. Our deepest sympathies from Elsie Sparks and son Steve Sparks.*



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**Steve Sparks** - September 28, 2018 at 11:51 AM