



Billy Ray Lawson

January 2, 1939 - March 2, 2008

BILLY RAY LAWSON, 69, of Kingston died March 2, 2008 at home. He was born January 2, 1939 in N. Terre Haute, Indiana. He had been a resident of Kingston since 1967.

He was a member of Cedar Grove Baptist Church, Union Lodge #38 F&AM, Amateur Radio "KB4ZMV" and honorary member of Roane County Rescue Squad. He also served our community as Civil Defense Director, Roane County Deputy Sheriff and Kingston City Police Officer. He was retired from Oak Ridge National Laboratory as security inspector.

He was preceded in death by parents, John and Esther Lawson and sister-in-law, Elizabeth Jane Lawson.

Survivors include: his wife, Martha J. Lawson; son, Gregory R. Lawson of Jacksonville, Florida; son and daughter-in-law, Jeffrey B. and Jennifer Lawson of Kingston; son, Jay A. Lawson of Kingston; grandchildren, Hailey, William and Myles Lawson of Kingston; brothers, Roderick N. Lawson and wife, Betty Lawson of Palm Bay, Florida and Robert K. Lawson of Rockwood; sister, Norma K. Neal of San Diego, California, also many nieces and nephews.

The funeral service was held at Cedar Grove Baptist Church, Tuesday, March 4, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. with Mark Umbehagen and Mike Miller officiating. Burial

was at Cedar Grove Cemetery on March 4th. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be sent to The American Cancer Society-P.O. Box 82 Kingston, TN 27762; "Adventa Hospice" 1420Dutch Valley Road, Suite C Knoxville, TN 37918; or Cedar Grove Baptist Church -"Awana"4050 Johnston Valley Road Kingston, TN 37763 .

Kyker Funeral Home of Kingston was in charge of arrangements.