

James L. Waybright

James L. "Jim" Waybright, 66, of Sandyville passed away Saturday, September 27, 2008, at Jackson General Hospital.

He was born November 17, 1941, in St. Albans, a son of the late Charles and Cornia Vandergrift Waybright. He graduated from Ripley High School in 1959 and spent three years in the Army. Over the years, he opened businesses that included Ohio Valley Truss, Waybright Pipe & Supply, and the Farm Shoppe. He was elected to the Jackson County Commission, where he served for 12 years, and spent three of those years as president of the Commission. He also served as vice president and then as president of the WVCCA. In addition to his work, he served on many boards, including RSVP Board, Polymer Alliance Executive Board, 911 Board, Workforce Board, Jackson County Airport Board, LKVRCD Board, WVACO Board, Health Board, State of West Virginia Transit Board, and the SVFD Board of Directors. Over the years, he also served 18 years on the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department, Shofar Broadcasting, and was a member of the American Legion and VFW, and was a 33-year member of the Ripley Baptist Temple.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Charles Edgar Waybright Jr.; and a sister, Jo Ann Waybright.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Deloris Waybright; daughters, Melissa Suzanne Waybright of Sandyville, Jill Elaine Bowles of Ravenswood, and Melinda Dawn Yates (Gregory II) of Ripley; grandchildren, Ryan Adam Bowles, Courtney Nicole Bowles, Gregory Lewis Yates III, Katlyn Desiree Yates, and Blake Chandler Yates; sisters, Bernadine Morris of Ripley, and Ida Mitchell of Ripley.

James gave a lot to his family, friends and community and was able to give his last gift as an organ donor.

The service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, September 30, 2008, at Ripley Baptist Temple with Pastor Rick Perrine officiating. Burial will follow in Fairplain Cemetery.

Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday, September 29, 2008, at the church.

Parsons-Waybright Funeral Home, Ripley, will be serving the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Ripley Baptist Temple Building Fund or to the Jackson County Library.