



Arthur Cole (AC) Pope

November 30, 1912 - September 4, 2018

ARTHUR COLE (AC) POPE, 105, of Somerset, KY. Passed away on Tuesday, September 4, 2018. Arthur was born on November 30, 1912, in Laurel County, KY. His parents were Charles Wallace and Della Bales Pope. In 1932, Arthur married Minnie Jones in Cynthiana, KY. They had 6 children: Geraldine, Arthur Gorman (Harriett), Alvin Lynn (Reva), Leeman Coy (Alice), Melvin Cecil, and Janice Alene Pope Miller (John).

Arthur is survived by 2 children: Alvin and Leeman; 8 grandchildren, and 12 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Della Pope; 2 sisters, Edith Pope Barnett, and Cleta Pope Hinton; his wife, Minnie Jones Pope; children, Geraldine, Gorman, Melvin, Janice and husband John Miller, and grandson Arthur Gorman Pope, Jr.

Arthur attended grade school and grew up in the Pine Grove area of Laurel County. After he married, he went into the lumber business with his father. In 1949-50, he and partner Cooper Eversole opened and operated a coal mine on land they owned on Wood Creek. In 1954, he opened and operated a Somerset Refinery, "Home Town" service station on North Main Street in London. In the 1960's he leased the London station and pursued other business ventures including the George Phelps Exxon Distribution in Somerset, the Ford Tractor Dealership in Somerset and with partner Clarence Warren the Pulaski Gas & oil, retiring at age 73.

Private graveside services will be at Wigginton Cemetery, London KY at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 8, 2018. In lieu of flowers, a contribution may be made to the Markey Cancer Center, University of Kentucky, or charity of your choice or church. House-Rawlings funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Previous Events

Private Services

SEP 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Wiggington Cemetery
London, KY 40741

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry for your loss, but I know all of us have sweet memories of him in happier times remembered. He was always sweet and kind to me for all the years he was my father-in-law. Rest in peace. Fondly Remembered , Betty Mulholland

Betty B Mulholland - September 09, 2018 at 04:26 PM

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“ Nia remembers how tickled he would be to show off the tricks Fluffy, his poodle, could perform. Hard to know who was more entertained, "Cowboy" or his audience.

Leeann Pope Cornett - September 07, 2018 at 12:44 AM

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“ Nia has always called him "Cowboy" and to look at his picture here, it is easy to see why. He was rarely seen without his hat. One Sunday, when Janice and her family lived in Frankfort, I was driving in my powerless Chevette from Lexington to Frankfort, and I see a white sedan barreling up the interstate behind me. It is going so fast I believe it to be an unmarked police car on a high speed chase. Soon the car overtakes and passes me so quickly I might as well have been idling. In that millisecond blur of a moment as the car passes me, I recognize the car as a white Ford LTD and recognize the hatted profile of my Grandpa Pope! Not everyone can say their grandfather blew them off the interstate. I literally ate his dust that day!

Leeann Pope Cornett - September 07, 2018 at 12:41 AM

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“ When I think of my impression of him growing up, I remember him laughing. He had a rich, hearty laugh, and found many things amusing, especially the "tricks" his grandchildren could perform for his entertainment. He liked to tease his grandchildren and he laughed when ever he "got" one up on them. Many Sundays I remember watching Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom with Marlon Perkins or Jacques Cousteau on the living room floor of his home in London.

Leeann Pope Cornett - September 07, 2018 at 12:21 AM



“ *Betty Gray lit a candle in memory of Arthur Cole (AC) Pope*



Betty Gray - September 06, 2018 at 06:12 AM

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“ *Evelyn Smith lit a candle in memory of Arthur Cole (AC) Pope*



Evelyn Smith - September 05, 2018 at 09:45 PM