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DEAN CALDWELL, 81, of Proctorville, Ohio passed away Sunday, August 20, 2023, at the Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House in Huntington. He was born August 27, 1941, in Huntington, WV, a son of the late Dean Caldwell Sr. and Elizabeth Ray. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sisters, Alice Deal, Evelyn Thompson, Garnet Morrison and Dallas Smirollo and Sister-In-Law Pam Melton. He graduated from Huntington High School in 1959. Upon graduation he proudly served four years in the Air Force. He spent the majority of his career in Law Enforcement. In 1963 he moved his family to Washington, DC where he joined the Washington D.C. Police Department earning both a meritorious bronze and silver medal for valor during his time there as police detective. He accepted a job in Maryland in 1970 with the Hyattsville Police Department where he served for over 25 years and retired at the rank of Captain. He moved back to the Huntington area in 2006. He was an active and faithful member of the Seventh Avenue Baptist Church, Huntington, WV for 15 years where he served in many capacities as a Sunday School Leader, Property Manager Chairman, and Deacon. He loved singing in the choir and ministering to the sick. Later he changed his membership to New Baptist Church where he continued to be a faithful member. He loved his Berean Sunday School Class. He was a member of the Gideons International where he served as Vice President. He was dedicated to telling people about Jesus and was actively involved in Bible distribution free to all. He served on the board of directors for the City Mission and was a member of the American Legion. He loved the Lord, his family, friends and country. He was a "people person" and never met a stranger that didn't quickly become his friend. He loved all sports and was an avid Cincinnati Reds fan all his life. He was a strong family man with a huge heart and a positive role model for his daughters and son. He was blessed with a good sense of humor. He was a very loving, kind and generous husband, father,



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grandfather and great grandfather and will be missed more than anyone will ever know. He is survived by his loving, devoted wife and high school sweetheart of 63 years, Gwen (Cookie) Caldwell whom he married on April 9, 1960, at Seventh Avenue Baptist Church in Huntington, WV; two daughters Sherri L. Reese of Catlettsburg, KY (Darren) and Tammi S. Shope (Darrin) of Waldorf, MD and one son David B. Caldwell of Huntington, WV. He is also survived by six grandchildren, Christina Cooke, Kevin Bowler, Katherine Donald (Jeremy), and Stephen Cooke, Kelly Reusser (David), Kara Duty (John), twelve great-grandchildren and one Brother-in-law (Thomas A. Melton).

Visitation will be at Hall funeral Home and Crematory, 625 County Road 775, Proctorville, Ohio, on Thursday, August 24, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. followed by a service at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Trent Eastman and Rev. Bob Withers officiating. Burial will follow at Ridge lawn Memorial Park Mausoleum, Huntington. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Gideons International Living Memorial Bible Fund, Hospice of Huntington, or the charity of your choice. Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.ehallfuneralhome.com.



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LM

Laura Mullins posted:

Cookie, I am so sorry I didn't know Dean passed. I will never forget him teasing me and joking around with me when I worked at Walmart. He was such a good guy. I seriously had been thinking about you all recently and it was meant for me to see you yesterday at Walmart. I am sorry I distracted you and the cashier and messed up your order. I was so glad to see everyone again after about two years of not seeing foot in Walmart. Again I am sorry so sorry for your loss. I love you and your family and know that I willAlways be here for you. RIP a Dean we will see you again . Love and prayers Laura Mullins

February 12 at 9:20 PM

LM

Laura M lit a candle in honor of Dean.

Tammi, my deepest condolences.Laura Muñoz

September 5 at 8:00 PM



PD

Patricia Lawson Donahoe lit a candle in honor of Dean.

Knowing Dean although high school and many reunions. we always had great fun going over memories. My sincere condolences to Cookie and the family. Patty Lawson Donahoe

August 26 at 8:00 PM



CB

Carrie Brown lit a candle in honor of Dean.

I wish I could've been there today. Dean meant so much to me as my friend and brother in Christ. I loved Dean and will miss him. Prayers for the family. He was a great man.

August 23 at 8:00 PM



MG

Maysha G lit a candle in honor of Dean.

Cookie, I don't know when I first met Dean. I liked him then and have loved him ever since. My heart goes out to you and the family. I will always remember what a great guy he was. Love,Maysha

August 22 at 8:00 PM





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PD

Patty Dawson lit a candle in honor of Dean.

During our days at HHS I can say I only knew who Dean Caldwell was. I did not really know him personally. After they moved back to the area there were times when I would be at 7th Avenue Baptist, having grown up with Cookie at this church and in Sunday School together. On those occasions I became more acquainted with Dean and learned what a tease he was, because while talking to long ago friends with he and his wife, from out of the blue he would tell them that he and I had dated. This came as a surprise to me but as time went by he would continue with this narrative and I learned to accept this as part of who Dean really was and so did his wonderful wife. My condolences to her and his family as he will be missed, but yet for those who know the Savior with whom he's with we know we will see him again.

August 22 at 8:00 PM



VG

Val Ghazaoui lit a candle in honor of Dean.

My deepest sympathy Tammy and family in the passing of your father. Your father lives on strong in your heart, gone but NEVER Forgotten. Val Ghazaoui

August 21 at 8:00 PM



MS

Mary Schack lit a candle in honor of Dean.

Dear Cookie, We send our deepest and sincere condolences to you, and the entire family. So much to say about Dean. His character said everything about him! You are in our heart, our thoughts and prayers. May God give you strength and peace. Love you always. Mary and Lisa

August 21 at 8:00 PM



MM

Mary Mary lit a candle in honor of Dean.

I will always remember his big smile, going around the pews at church greeting everyone and offering his hug.

August 21 at 8:00 PM





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MD

Mark And Dawn Dodd lit a candle in honor of Dean.

Gwen - We are so incredibly sorry and are keeping you and your entire family in our thoughts and prayers. Dean was an amazing person, and we so enjoyed every event or activity where we got to spend time with both of you. Whether it was an office activity, a dinner, or even our wedding, Dean never failed to make us laugh.

We even remember when he was the hit of our Halloween party when he surprised all of the guests by showing up dressed as a nurse! Just last week, I was telling the story about the time when we were at the Navy Yard and it was the morning of our annual Christmas cookie exchange. Dean called me and said, "Mark, you're a friend of mine so I need to give you a warning - do NOT eat Gwen's cookies - they're awful!" Apparently, you had made a slight error in the recipe for sesame seed cookies, where you misread two tablespoons, and instead added two CUPS of sesame seeds. Dean told me that he knew it was too much and tried to politely correct you. When you insisted, he went out hunting for enough of them to make two cups. Dean told me, "Do you know how many grocery stores I had to go to in order to find that many sesame seeds when they only sell them in those little jars??" That's what I'll always remember about Dean. Not only was he an amazing friend, but you could always count on him to be supportive in any situation! All our love, Mark and Dawn Dodd

August 20 at 8:00 PM



BM

Barbara Martin lit a candle in honor of Dean.

Cookie, I'm so sorry. But, the joy that was always with was always shown when we were together at our reunions.Barbara Dickerson Martin

August 21 at 8:00 PM



JE

Jim Efaw lit a candle in honor of Dean.

Cookie, you and family are in our prayers. For the truly, born again Christian this is not the end. Dean knew and loved the Lord. The separation is only temporary

August 21 at 8:00 PM



CB

Charles And Isabelle Bonecutter lit a candle in honor of Dean.

Our deepest sympathy to Gwen and family in the passing of Dean! We know he has went home to be with the Lord. We will always remember how much he loved the Lord and was a faithful servant of the King of Kings!

August 20 at 8:00 PM





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AC

A Memorial Tree Was Planted For Dean Caldwell lit a candle in honor of Dean.

We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Hall

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MH

Megan Huff lit a candle in honor of Dean.

You and your family have been in my thoughts and prayers daily. Dean was one of the good ones. He is sure going to be missed ❤️🙏

August 20 at 8:00 PM



SJ

Sandra Joseph lit a candle in honor of Dean.

My deepest sympathy for your loss..!Cookie'..your precious grandmother 'Mrs Stony' babysat for us years ago and I remember her telling me about her daughter Arlene -your late mother - and her grandchildren. I'm so sorry for your loss but i just want you to know that the Christian values your grandmother taught and exemplified while babysitting my siblings and me are forever etched in my heart. May the souls of your loved ones rest in peace. Sandra Joseph

August 20 at 8:00 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Dean by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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