



W.E. Knight

October 10, 1949 - September 18, 2020

WILLIAM E. KNIGHT, III, AGE 70

Went to his Heavenly Home on Friday September 18, 2020 at his home surrounded by his beloved family. W.E. was born on October 10, 1949 at McGehee's Clinic in Franklinton. He graduated from Franklinton High School in 1967, where he played for the Demons baseball team, winning back to back State Championships. He then played for Southeastern Louisiana University as a pitcher, where he threw 17 complete games during his 4 successful years. W.E. loved baseball and passed that love on to his sons and countless other boys that he coached and umpired for many years in Little League and American Legion. He retired as a supervisor after 33 years of service in the Environmental Health Services Department of the Washington Parish Health Unit. He was a lifelong member of First Baptist Church of Franklinton, where he served as a deacon for many years, worked with young men in the Royal Ambassadors program, and for the last several years was the "Candy Man" to all the children and families that he greeted each Sunday. W.E. was a wonderful husband, father, brother and Poppa. He most enjoyed the time he spent with his sons coaching them in baseball and making precious memories in the outdoors hunting, fishing, golfing and providing expert supervision in the garden. All the great stories and memories shared with his sons as they traveled on hunting trips around the country will never grow old and last a lifetime. The last five years have been filled with cherished memories spent

with his young grandchildren.

Survived by:

Wife of 29 years: Cindy Stafford Knight

3 Sons and Daughters in law: William E. "Bill" Knight, IV and Annette Knight,
Jonathan R. and Linda Knight,
Derrick S. and Kelsey Knight all of Franklinton

Precious Grandchildren: Olivia Blair Knight,
Turner Alexander Knight

And Older Grandchildren: Seager and Brittnee Knox,
Eden Knox

7 Siblings and Spouses: Dr. Larry William Knight and Lynn Knight of
Hammond, LA

Brenda and Larry Lindig of Cocodrie, LA,
Beverly Knight,
Frances Landry both of Franklinton,
Lesha Sharkey of Van Alstyne, TX,
Jeffrey Knight of Mt. Hermon,
Gina Meier of Van Alstyne, TX

Step-Brothers: Raymond Fisher,
Glenn Fisher and their families

Also numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and many dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his father William E. "Bill" Knight, Jr., mother

and step-father Earline Jones Knight Fisher and D.C. Fisher, several aunts and uncles and other family members.

Visitation will be at First Baptist Church of Franklinton (903 Cleveland Street, Franklinton) on Sunday September 20th from 2:00 pm until 4:00 pm. A Celebration of Life service will be held in the church at 4:00 pm Sunday with Dr. Cody Warren and Rev. Randall Garcia officiating. For the safety of others, please wear a face covering while attending the services.

Honorary Pallbearers: All current and prior deacons of First Baptist Church, members of the Steadfast Sunday School Class, Phil Bateman, Allen Boyd, Joey Brown, Murdock Brumfield, Rusty Burkhalter, Lester Dykes, Brent Hoggatt, Tommy Ravencraft, Drew Stevens.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations to the First Baptist Church Building Fund (950 Self Street, Franklinton, LA 70438)

Obituaries can be viewed online at www.crainfh.com

Tribute Wall

PO

“ Cindy, so sorry for your loss. Have thought of you in past since my sister moved to Folsom. Her husband is an er nurse and worked some in Franklinton. Your family has grown over the years. I only remember y'all had a son. Been a long time. 🥰

Pat ortego - October 07, 2020 at 07:27 AM

JV

“ I want to send my sincere sympathy to all his family. I am grateful for so many wonderful memories of him as we grew up together. He was unique in this kindness and so fun and funny to be around. May God bless all who love him. He touched so many lives and will be missed.

JoEllen Magee Voinche

JoEllen M Voinche - September 26, 2020 at 09:21 PM

JM

“ May God comfort W E's family; including all his siblings. Fond memories of W E from when we shared school bus rides for many years.



Judy McCasland Micelle - September 25, 2020 at 10:21 AM

ST

“ I am so sorry for this great loss. May God give you all comfort.
Sandy Toney

Sandra Toney - September 24, 2020 at 10:03 PM



“ Peace, Prayer Blessing Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of W.E. Knight.



September 23, 2020 at 02:16 PM



“ Sylvia Moak LaPointe lit a candle in memory of W.E. Knight



Sylvia Moak LaPointe - September 21, 2020 at 10:47 AM



“ Dear Cindy,
I know that I haven't seen you or WE in years. I just want to say that I have many fond memories of you and WE (Dub) over my years living in Franklinton. God Bless.
Mike Aaron

Mike Aaron - September 21, 2020 at 10:03 AM



“ Dear Cindy and family,
We are truly sorry about your great loss.
W.E. (Dub) was loved by many people!!
We are praying for you all. May God comfort you and surround you with His great love!!
Your friends in Christ, Ronnie & Terry Moak
Mount Hermon

Terry Moak - September 20, 2020 at 08:37 PM

JT

“ Cindy, I am so sorry for your loss. He was the kindest man!! When we first starting coming to First Baptist he was always there to make us feel welcome. He always had a pocket full of Smarties to give to the kids. I will pray for you and your family and sending you lots of love!!

Janet Thomas - September 20, 2020 at 01:04 PM

CJ

“ Cindy and Family, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of W.E. May your many wonderful memories of your life together bring you comfort during these difficult days. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Cathy Johnston

Cathy Johnston - September 20, 2020 at 09:09 AM

AC

“ May God continue His great mercy and love toward you and your family. Bennie loved this young man. Their love for ball and hunting introduced them and he had a lot of respect for W. E. We sat on the hard ground many late late nights to watch them finish a tournament. God bless you Cindy.

Ann Creel - September 19, 2020 at 01:56 PM

RS

“ Cindy and family,
I'm so sorry to hear the sad news of W.E.'s passing. What a special man he was, and what a huge impact he had on so many lives in Washington Parish and beyond. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.
May the peace of God be with you,
Ron Simmons

Ron Simmons - September 19, 2020 at 12:28 PM

TT

God bless you Cindy as you go through this difficult time in your life. I pray that God will surround you with his goodness. You have some precious memories

Tita Taylor - September 19, 2020 at 11:21 PM

DG

“ *Prayers and love to all the family, especially WE’s siblings, who we went to school with and knew so well. God bless you all as you continue his Christian legacy. Prayers for God to give you comfort. 🙏 Love you all! Billy and Dedria Givens-Carroll*

Dr Dedria Givens-Carroll - September 19, 2020 at 12:16 PM

ML

“ *I worked with W. E. & Cindy for 33 years at OPH. We went through many good & bad times together. They always had each other, and their faith in God, through it all. It was heartwarming these last couple of years seeing them enjoy their grandchildren. Such happy memories they got to make! Love & prayers for the whole family. Megan & Paul Louque*

Megan Louque - September 19, 2020 at 11:48 AM

LG

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to the family and friends of W.E.*

Linda Geautreaux - September 19, 2020 at 11:17 AM

LH

“ WE was a great person and a good friend. He always had a smile for everyone. He coached Brent in baseball and years later, was his boss at the Health Dept for close to 20 yrs. WE and Brent also coached Jonathon in baseball together when Jonathon was a teenager. He was someone Brent, Kaitlin, Sarah, and myself respected and loved dearly. His love for the Lord and dedication to his church made him an inspiration for many people. He will be greatly missed. We will be praying for all of you during this very difficult time.

Love you all, Lisa Hoggatt

Lisa Hoggatt - September 19, 2020 at 10:52 AM

BK

“ What a man. Fearless in his belief in our Lord. All that knew him feel great loss. W.E. was a great friend to Patricia and I, such a joy to watch him opening the door and giving candy to little ones and every now and then to the big'uns too. His loss is felt, but memories bring a smile, and a chuckle. Prayers for you Cindy, this loss will be hard but Jesus is our only comfort and peace. Will always love you both.

Bob Kyger - September 19, 2020 at 09:44 AM

KB

“ So sorry to hear this sad news this morning. W.E. was a unique man only he could be a fighter to the end doing life his way. Cindy and family just know we have been and are continuing to pray for and lifting you up in the days and weeks ahead. Rest in Peace dear friend! See you again!

Kaye and Mike Byrd - September 19, 2020 at 08:59 AM

MB

“ Prayers for W.E.'s family, wishing you peace. May precious memories keep him close to you. Love to all of you.

Mavis Fussell Brinkley - September 19, 2020 at 12:13 AM

MB

“ My deepest condolences on your loss. W E was a unique person. John and I considered him a dear friend. He will be missed. Marcia Bickham

Marcia Bickham - September 18, 2020 at 11:30 PM

AP

“ My deepest condolences and prayers to the family. Truly a good man.

Al Pogue - September 18, 2020 at 10:48 PM

BB

“ So sorry for your family's loss. W.E. Was one of a kind. Always had a witty remark and smile. I know he fought hard to stay with his family. Thoughts and prayers.

Bilky Ray and Janet Breland - September 18, 2020 at 09:26 PM

BB

“ So sorry for your loss. WE always had a smile in his face. We will be praying for your family



Billy and Terri Brignac - September 18, 2020 at 09:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of W.E. Knight.*



September 18, 2020 at 09:00 PM



“ *Juanita zLuper lit a candle in memory of W.E. Knight*



juanita zLuper - September 18, 2020 at 08:53 PM