



Conkle, Lawrence

June 13, 2008

Conkle, Lawrence "Banjo", age 85 of Bowman's Ridge, WV passed away at home with his family by his side on Friday, June 13, 2008.

He was born on January 13, 1923 in Moundsville, the son of the late Roy and Maggie Conkle.

He was in the CCC's Army camp, a Korean conflict Army veteran corporal, the Merchant Marines for six years and a member of the Earl Francis Post #3, American Legion for over 40 years.

He was a retired employee of Humphrey Coal Mine, the Ireland Mine at Rosby's Rock, and a member of UMWA Local 1110.

He was also worked for the West Virginia Department of Highways in Lynn Camp, Marx Toy Factory, and the railroad. He was a school bus driver for Marshall County for over 10 years and a dairy farmer for over 35 years.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by an identical twin brother Clarence "Plum" Conkle, another brother George "Buck" Conkle and an infant daughter Sharon Sue Conkle.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years Shirley Mae Conkle, four children Roy "Butch" (Lorie) Conkle, Sr. of Moundsville, Joyce (Larry "Butch") Whetzel, Sr., Larry (Donna) Conkle, Sr., and Teresa (Mike) Hughes all of Bowman's Ridge; nine grandchildren Roy "Butchie" Conkle, Jr., Wendy (Mike) Kelley, Larry "Bub" Whetzel, Jr., Brian Conkle, Larry Conkle, Jr., Cassie Conkle, Brent Conkle, Wesley Hughes, and Ryan Hughes; two great-grandchildren Cheyenne McKenzie Conkle and Dillon Daugherty.

Family will receive friends on Sunday from 2-4 and 7-9pm at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, Moundsville, where funeral services will be held on Monday at 11:00am with Rev. J. Thomas Steele officiating.

Interment to follow in Riverview Cemetery, where the Moundsville Honor Guard will conduct military graveside services.

Sympathy expressions at grisellfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ He was a good father-in-law said his son-in-law Butch Whetzel

Joyce Whetzel - December 09, 2021 at 11:18 PM

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“ Lawrence Conkle (Banjo) was Dad to me. I am his daughter Joyce and I was 50 years old when he died. I was holding his hand when he took his last breath and my brother Larry who was 48 was holding Dads other hand and Mom was kneeling by the bed by his head and kissed him and my other brother Butch who was 54 was standing by his feet by the bed. My sister Teresa 36 was in the hospital because she had just had a baby by c-section on June 11th which she named Ryan Halley LAWRENCE Hughes. All the grandchildren were there except 2. After I watched my Dad take his last breath. Although I knew he was gone I had my daughter check his heartbeat with her stethoscope to make sure and I shouldn't have asked her because that really upset her, but I didn't know that till years later. Most of Dads kids husband and wives were there along with Becky and Danny O'Neil and Kim and Woody Whitfield and we all were around his bed. Dr. Bill Apostolon(Dr. Bill is what we called him came out to the house when Mom asked him to. He was and is, still a friend to us all. Dads nurse that came once a week was there also. I miss Dad soooooo much. It hurts still after 5 years. I think it always will. He was a great Dad, husband, son, brother, brother-in-law, uncle, pap pap, great pap pap, and friend. I love you forever Dad. I will try to post again sometime. I didn't know about the tribute wall till today. I seen my daughters friends name on altmeyers obits and decided to check out Grissells and I found my Dads obituary and started writing on his tribute wall. I will put other things on later.

Brenda Joyce Conkle-Whetzel - September 28, 2013 at 11:11 PM