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Tenth Dedication of Owen Remembrance Quilt

There are many ways families may choose to honor and remember loved ones. Owen Funeral Home offers one beautiful and creative way of remembering through the Owen Remembrance Quilt.

Since 1998 families have celebrated their loved ones' lives through this creative act of love. Each quilt piece has been stitched and woven together with loving memories. The tenth Remembrance Quilt is now complete and will be rotated in and out of the display case in the Owen Lounge at our Dixie location with the nine previous quilts.



If you have not had an opportunity to view the Remembrance Quilts you are welcome to stop by our Dixie location anytime to see this work of love. Following are the names honored and remembered on the tenth Remembrance Quilt:

Marjorie Beck
William A. Bristow
Ray P. Brooks
Jean Casper
Opal Cole
John Cole
Eva Rae Colyer
Johnnie Mae Duke
Willard E. Ernst
Larry E. Estep, Sr.
Helen "Pat" Kaiser
Maurice "Bud" Kannapel

George Lathery
Carl LoBalbo
Harold F. Marcum
Jesse L. McAllister
Wm. L. "Larry" McAllister
John R. McConnell
Eddie Miller
Edward "Ed" Sipes
Gary Smith
Viola Loeffler Wardrip
Foster G. Wilson
Mabel Winstead

The Quilt

The fragile thread of life brings us here, a piece of fabric, memories of one we hold so dear. Our lives are like this tapestry from the very start; as the quilt of life is woven into the fabric of our heart. This special quilt of life brings us together. Its common thread of love holds us forever. We celebrate the life and love of those we hold so dear. As we dedicate this quilt of life right now, right here. Isn't this quilt just so like our lives, stitched together carefully with so much more than only time. This one more reminder of what we've known all along. The fabric of love holds so strong.

Written by Paul Turner



Rollin' with Owen Niagara Falls & Toronto 5 Days - June 23-27, 2014 *Passport Required*

Cost per Person: \$729.00 2 people in a room
 \$719.00 3-4 people in a room
 \$899.00 1 person in a room

Deposit of \$200.00 due: March 10, 2014
**Final payment & copy of passport due:
April 28, 2014**

Monday, June 23

Relax and enjoy the ride through the rolling hills of Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York before arriving in Niagara Falls, Canada, where we will spend the next four nights.

Tuesday, June 24

This morning after breakfast we will depart with a step-on guide for a day tour that takes us back to Niagara Falls, New York for a visit to the American Falls. Here, we visit the New York State Power Vista Museum. Next, we will visit Luna Island, Cave of the Winds, Goat Island and the Three Sisters Island which offers spectacular views from the edges of the falls. After lunch we will go to the Rossi Glass Factory, the only place to manufacture Cranberry Glass in Canada. We visit the Daredevil Gallery to see the actual barrels used by Steve Trotter, Peter De Bernardi, and others who have taken the plunge over the Falls. Next, view a breathtaking film at the IMAX Theater on the history and “feats” performed at the falls. This evening we will have dinner (included) at the Skylon Tower, one of the greatest revolving restaurants.

Wednesday, June 25

This morning after breakfast we depart for Toronto, ON. We will meet a local step on guide for a guided tour introducing us to the Financial District, Chinatown, Parliament Buildings and more. This afternoon we'll enjoy a cruise through Toronto's scenic harbor-front and Island Parklands aboard the Mariposa Cruise Liner. This evening is leisure for dinner on your own.

Thursday, June 26

This morning after breakfast we will have a step on guide give us an exciting tour of the Canadian Falls area. Hear the roar of the falls and see the mist rising from the river as we drive around Niagara. First, we stop at the Welland Canal, for a look at this great engineering feat. The locks can lift huge ships as if they were toys. Next, we take a driving tour of Niagara-on-the-Lake; this historic town captures attention with its Georgian and Victorian-styled building, Waterfront Park and the surrounding fields of grapevines. Our next stop will be the Floral Clock and the Spanish Aerocar. We will get an exciting close-up view of this great natural wonder of thundering, churning waters as we take a boat ride on the Maid of the Mist. This evening will enjoy the award winning “Oh Canada Eh” dinner show.

Friday, June 27

This morning after breakfast we begin our journey back to Louisville arriving this evening.

For more information contact: **Gene Nisbet, at 447-7759**



The Heart of Our Funeral Home

Many jokes are made about the “Walmart Greeters” but we believe the Owen Funeral Home Greeters are the heart of Owen. They meet families as they enter the building and assist them in many ways. They are the friendly voice on the phone and the personal smiling face of welcome at the door. They provide the “Sincere Service” upon which Owen Funeral Homes are built. The Owen Greeters not only see to the comforts of our families, but provide the warm care needed at a very difficult time.

Before retiring the Owen Greeters have represented the following professions: fire department, police department, minister, executive assistant, business administrator, business manager, construction, nutritional program coordinator and facility manager. They have served our community in the past and bring a whole range of experience as they care for and serve the families of Owen Funeral Homes.



Joe Ball



Lisa Beckner



Debbie Burns



Chris & Gerald Davis



Don Dziadus



Bruce Himes



Carlos Hume



Joyce Lynch



Rosemary Martin



Phyllis Mitchell



Joe Walters

Meet one of our Owen Family Members...

Edith & Bird Owen Founding Family of Owen Funeral Homes



In 1939, Bird Owen, Jr. opened the doors to the first Owen Funeral Home with his wife, Edith by his side. His philosophy was to provide sincere service to the families they served and that ethic remains in place today.

Edith and Bird’s children, David and Linda, continue to own and operate this family business. David’s wife, Pam and daughter, Rachel, are both funeral directors and are active in the day to day operation of Owen Funeral Homes. Pam also serves as the Social Media Coordinator overseeing the website, facebook and twitter accounts.

Until recently, Edith could be frequently seen playing the organ for a service or counseling with a grieving family.

The family commitment and dedication started by Edith and Bird remains the foundation today.



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FOUNDING FAMILY

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Mrs. Edith Owen
David L. Owen
Linda Owen Miller

FUNERAL DIRECTORS DIXIE HIGHWAY

Mark McNeil, Manager
Philip R. Simpson, Manager
Glenn Bennett
Michael L. Burns
Rachel Barr
William B. Longest
Yvonne M. Nantz
Jackie Pugh

FUNERAL DIRECTORS JEFFERSONTOWN

Kenneth W. Hardin, Jr., Manager
Kenneth W. Hardin, Sr., Asst. Manager
Pamela H. Owen

PRE-NEED SERVICES

Richard Dike, Manager
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Amanda Wells

OWEN MONUMENT COMPANY

Gary Thomas, Manager

An Owner of

Highlands Funeral Home
3331 Taylorsville Road * Louisville, KY 40205
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Neighborhood News

Grief Support Groups

Provided by Owen Funeral Homes as a Free Public Service

“Transitions”

Group for Bereaved Persons & Families
in their first few months of grief
Location and times assigned quarterly

“Now and Beyond”

Group for Widows and Widowers
Every 3rd Friday, 2:00 p.m.
Southwest Regional Library
Every 3rd Wednesday, 2:00 p.m.
Owen Funeral Home, Jeffersontown

“A Parent’s Grief”

1st and 3rd Monday, at 6:30 p.m.
Hillview Baptist Church

Monthly Men’s Breakfast

Every 3rd Monday, at 8:30 a.m.
The Kitchen Restaurant
5300 Cane Run Rd

Monthly Widow/Widower’s Luncheon

Every 1st Friday, 1:00 p.m.
Golden Corral Restaurant, 5362 Dixie Highway

**For Information: Please call Genene Nisbet,
Bereavement Services Specialist at 447-7759.**

You Are Always Welcome -

Owen Funeral Home staff welcomes the opportunity to show you around either of our facilities and to answer any questions you might have. Call the office or stop by.

From Our Kitchen To Yours

by Don Dziadus

Firehouse Favorite Vegetable Soup



2 lbs ground turkey
2 cans green beans
1 can corn
1 can peas
1 large can crushed tomatoes
1 large can diced tomatoes
2 cups shredded cabbage
1 small onion chopped
1 cup celery
½ cup carrots (sliced)
2 cups cut up potatoes

Scramble and brown turkey (drain fat). Add vegetables and all ingredients in large pot.

Add seasoning
2 tsp salt (optional)
1 tsp garlic powder
1 tsp pepper
1 tsp accent

Secret Ingredient 1-2 tablespoon(s)
Tones-Louisiana Cajun Spice

Simmer for 1 hour