



Colis F. Campbell

January 5, 2015 - January 5, 2015

Colis F. Campbell, 88, of Kearney, died January 5, 2015 at Prairie View Gardens in Kearney. Funeral services will be Monday, January 12, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at the Kearney Church of Christ with Pastor Greg Clark officiating. Visitation will be Sunday, January 11, 2015 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm at the Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney and one hour prior to the service at the church on Monday. Memorials are suggested to the York College. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of the arrangements.

Colis Foy Campbell, the son of Emmet and Ethel Campbell, was born January 29, 1926 in Mountain Grove, Missouri. On January 5, 2015, in Kearney, NE, at the age of 88, Colis departed this earth to be reunited with his wife, Dolores Campbell. They met at Harding College in Searcy, Arkansas and were married June 7, 1945, in Philadelphia, PA. Colis lived a long life, which included many different jobs, all revolving around his faith and the desire to serve others.

Colis and Dolores's travels took them to Japan for eight years where they served as missionaries. Colis made ministry and teaching his life's work. He

and Dolores spent two years in Columbia, Missouri and 17 years at York College in York, Nebraska. Colis's work also took them to Robstown, TX; Acuff, TX; Ramona, OK; and Kearney, NE. The couple retired to

Kimberling City, MO and later moved back to Nebraska to be near family and friends.

Colis wore many hats throughout his life and influenced many people. During his 17 years as a coach at York College, he impacted the lives of a multitude of student athletes. In 2012, Colis Campbell was the first inductee into the York College Hall of Fame. The year 2012 also

marked the opening of the Campbell Activity Center, built in honor of the work of both Colis and Dolores. Colis will be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, friend, and mentor to those that he has left behind. He was a strong and faithful Christian and he shared a great many lessons with countless people over his lifetime. He presided over the weddings of four of his grandchildren. Those are memories that the families will always share

and cherish.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Lenore Smith, Lois Campbell, and Mona Belle Campbell; son-in-law, Kenneth Melott; and great-grandson, Alexander Colis Edwards.

Survivors include his daughters, Betty Lou Knowles and husband, Jim, of Denton, TX and Pattie Sue Edwards and husband, Dennis, of Kearney, NE; grandchildren, Lonnie Kenneth Melott, Lucas Campbell Melott, wife, Ashley, and children, Campbell Kenneth, Caiden Davis and Channing Lynn, Clinton Lee Edwards and wife, Vickie, and children, Eve Caroline and Jack Dennis, Clayton Edwards and wife, Rochelle, and children, Samantha Leigh and Gabriel Alexander, Abigail Kendall Edwards and daughter, Dominique Ray, Jake Thomas Edwards and wife, Aspen, and children, Zane Lee and Imani Paige, and McKinney David Edwards; brother Coy Campbell and wife Norma Jean of Prescott, AZ, sister Norma Lee Brackett of Oneonta, NY; many other extended family and a host of friends.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Colis F. Campbell*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Tom Boyer has sent this Expressions of Sympathy card.*

Tom Boyer - January 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Patti Sue, I remember good times at your house and basketball games in the old YC gym. So sorry to read about your dad's death and I didn't know that your mom was already gone. They touched many lives.*

Deb (Peters) Tonniges - January 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *A beautiful servant of the Lord has gone home to be with his Lord and join his lovely wife. The times spent with him as my coach and Bible teacher are fondly remembered. His quiet, christian demeanor was a blessing to all.
May God wrap His loving arms and around each of the family and give peace and comfort.
Numbers 6:24-26*

David

David Dallas - January 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ Colis was a long time friend and strong member of our Church. He had a strong faith in Christ and God has called him home to help with God's work in forever praising him there. We will miss him here.

Elton & Elizabeth Schmidt - January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ The world has lost a kind, gentle, faithful Christian man who influenced many people during his time on this earth. I shall always remember him with fondness. Undoubtedly, he has gone to his reward - may his family find peace and comfort in that.

Kim Harvey - January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HT

“ Lots of memories from the old YC gym. You were a blessing to our lives.

Harold & Deena Tandy - January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ Uncle Colis was a faithful servant of the Lord and we were blessed to visit with him and Patty Sue in September. We are very sorry for your loss and are looking forward to seeing Uncle Colis in his home beyond the sky.

Dave and Marianna Olson - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ What an incredible, godly man! His impact on our lives during our time at York College is immeasurable. He was truly a man of God.

Donnie & Naida (Jambura) Harrington - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ *Colis and Dolores Campbell were very dear to us during their years of undiminished love and a lifetime of dedicated service and ministry to Christ and His church will long be remembered for many years to come.*

*W. Gordon and Dr. Judith Shields
Formerly of Kimberling City, MO
1984 to 2006
Now living in Colorado Springs, CO*

W. Gordon and Dr. Judith Shields - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Colis was one of the very BEST who served many students at York. It was because of him and his efforts that I ended up at York. He is certainly a man worthy of honor.*

“ . . . Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.” “Yes,” says the Spirit, “that they may rest from their labors; for their works follow with them.”

Dan Copeland - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *A good man and faithful Christian leader. I knew Coach Campbell at York College.*

John Lucas - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ I send sympathy to Betty Lou and Pattie Sue, their children and grandchildren. Colis was a kind man, who I remember well. I lived in York and my mother worked at York College. My husband's family also worked at York College, Alton and Marjorie Thurmond. They both died in 2003 and Bill died Jan 14, 2014. Love to the family.

Sandi Thurmond - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Now you've received your crown Brother Colis, until we meet again.

Alan Blackburn - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM