



Mayor Kerry Whitten Hill

January 7, 1936 - December 27, 2011

Ripley, Mississippi--- Mayor Kerry Whitten Hill 75, passed away at his home on December 27, 2011. Mr. Hill was born on January 7, 1936 to Eric Mason and Mary Etta Mize Hill in Union County, Mississippi. He owned and operated Tire Town for several years and owned Radio Station WTXI FM 102.3 from 1979 til 1990. He served four terms as Mayor of Ripley and was elected to serve a fifth term in 2009. He was a member of Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church. He was a veteran of the United States Army and a Cancer Survivor.

His survivors include: His mother: Mary Etta Mize Hill of New Albany, MS: One daughter: Pamela A. Hill of Southaven, MS: One son: Kerry Bradley Hill (Jamie) of Ripley, MS: Their mother: Lois J. Hill of Ripley, MS: Two grandchildren: Zak and Sarah Hill both of Ripley, MS: Three sisters: Maxine Cook (Robert), Sue Andrews and Wanda Owen (Johnny) all of New Albany, MS: Two brothers: Donald Hill (Betty) and Mike Hill (Susan) both of Ripley, MS: And a host of Family and friends:

He was preceded in death by: His Father: Eric Mason Hill:

Pallbearers will be: Zak Hill, Donald Hill, Mike Hill, Jeremy Hill, Peyton Hill, Shane Hill, Dale Cook, Brian Little, James Nunnally:

Honorary pallbearers will be: City of Ripley Board of Alderman, and All

employees of the City of Ripley:

To send flowers to the family of Mayor Kerry Hill, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mayor Kerry Whitten Hill*

October 05, 2023 at 12:14 PM



“ *We still remember the good mayor. May the Lord be with y'all this Christmas and bless his Soul.*

Dr & Mrs Christopher Cummins & Family - December 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am Sorry for the loss of your father,I did not realize that Brad was the son of Mayor Hill*

Barbara Hines of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church - January 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I so regret I could not make the services for Kerry. You are all in my prayers for the days ahead.*

(Daughter of Theresa Rochelle Kent/Granddaughter of Paul & Jean Kent)

Jeanna Ayres Campbell - January 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ AS A CHILD WHEN MY FATHER,PAUL HILL, WOULD COME BACK TO DUMAS TO SEE FAMILY WE ALWAYS ENJOYED SEEING OUR COUSINS. AS A YOUNG MAN I OWNED A BUSSINES AND KERRY WOULD COME BY AND VISIT IN JACKSON. THE SORIES HE TOLD REMINDED ME OF FAMILY EVENTS, TALL TALES, AND HIS LOVE FOR RIPLEY AREA. OVER THE YEARS HIS KINDNESS TO A YOUNG BOY REMINDED ME OF WHAT FAMILIES ARE ABOUT. UNCLE MASON FAMILY ALWAYS TOOK CARE TO BE JUST THE SWEETEST PEOPLE YOU COULD EVER KNOW. ALL MY COUSIN ARE SPECIAL TO ME YET THE PASSING OF ANY ONE OF THEM REMINDS ME OF MY CHILDHODD. KERRY ALWAYS IN OUR HEARTS AND NOW IN THE LORDS ARMS. TO THE FAMILY FROM MYSELF,FAYE AND JACOB PRAYERS AND LOVE. A MEMORIAL IN HIS NAME WAS PRESENTED TO PARK PLACES BAPTIST CHURCH, BRANDON MS.

REV GARRY,FAYE AND JACOB HILL - January 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ We are sorry for the City's and Family's loss. May his Soul rest in peace.

Dr & Mrs Christopher J M Cummins & Family - December 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Kerry was always the same. It mattered not if you were a city voter or where you were from, when you met he always had the same warm hand shake. Although Kerry was a little older than I am, we were in school at the same time at Buena Vista (or as Kerry would call it'The University of Buena Vista.'"
He will be greatly missed by many,
Milton & Nancy Welch

Milton & Nancy Welch - December 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Brad, Jamie, Zak & Sarah,

I was absolutely speechless and heartbroken when I heard of Mr. Kerry's passing. He was genuinely one of the kindest, wittiest and wisest men I have ever met. I could sit and listen to his "tales" for hours on end.

There will be no doubt in anyones mind that knew Mr. Kerry as to how devoted and proud he was with each of you. Zak & Sarah he loved you with all his heart and couldn't wait to tell what you had been in to!

I never left his company without hearing a good "tale" of times past, a update on each of you, a smile on my face and a blessing in my heart.

Robert & Nell Harris

Robert & Nell Harris - December 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *What a wonderful person Kerry was as he cared so much for others. Blessings and peace in the days ahead for all of his loving family. We'll keep you in our thoughts and prayers.*

Charles and Joe Ann (Owen) Reaves - December 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ *Pam & Brad,
Sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. He always had a smile for everyone and time to say "Hello". He will be missed. Your families are in our prayers.*

Jeff & Monica Green

Monica Green - December 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Bro. Brad and family*

We are sorry about the loss of your dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We love you.

Buddy and Sarah Crouch

Buddy, Sarah Crouch - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *I send my condolences to the Hill family. Mr. Kerry Hill was such a nice man and very friendly. I got to know him from the walking track when my mom and I would walk. He would stop and talk to everybody. He will be terribly missed by everybody that knew him. He touched so many lives. I pray God's strength in this time of bereavement.*

Connie Jefferies - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *Mr. Kerry was a very nice man. He always spoke to everyone and treated everyone with respect. He will be missed by so many people. God bless the family, and our community for the loss of such a good man.*

Shannon Heavener - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss Kerry was a very great cussing we are here if any of u need anything god bless
Love u all so very much*

Bruce and Jennifer Mize - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Pam,
I did not have the pleasure of meeting your Dad. From all the wonderful things said about him on Facebook, I truly am sorry our paths did not cross, as he was quite a thoughtful and caring man. My thoughts are with your family and you today, tomorrow and the days ahead. May prayers bring you strength and loving memories of your Daddy forever remain fresh in your heart. Love ya!

Terri Henderson - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ To a dear friend and buddy for over fifty years
Don Smith class of 53

Don P Smith - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Our prayers and sympathy are with the family. So sorry for your loss. May God bless and keep you in the days ahead.

Lynwood & Betty Shackelford - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Kerry was a very special friend. He will be greatly missed by many.

Roy and Mae Smith - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ I am sorry to hear about Kerry, I am the daughter of aunt Maudie.

Olive Branch Ms

Linda (Murry) Gullick - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Pam your family will betruly miss by me and the whole storey family. Our prayers are with your family in these times.

Roy Dale Storey - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

OR

“ We are saddened to hear of Kerry's passing and want you all to know that we are praying for you. May Jesus be your Comforter.

Ozzie and Bonita (Gailor) Roman - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WG

“ Our deepest sympathy to the family in your loss. May God comfort you at this sorrowful time is our prayer.

Pensacola, Fl.

Wilma & Terry Gunn - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JZ

“ Bro. Brad I did not know your Dad but I do know that by reading all the condolences on FB and this site that he was indeed a wonderful man. My heart goes out to you and your wonderful family. My thoughts and prayers are with you. With much love, Jean

Jean Zorzoli - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HR

“ Mayor Hill was very dear to our family. He was definitely our friend. The city of Ripley and Tippah county has lost a fine statesman. He cared about people and progress. God bless all in his family at this time of great loss.

Harry, Lana, Jeff Richardson - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ TO THE HILL FAMILY, WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT THE PASSING OF MR.KERRY. MAY GOD GIVE YOU ALL PEACE DURING THIS TIME AND DAYS AHEAD.

LOVE,
CHRIS, ROBIN AND MADELYN RAGAN

CHRIS, ROBIN AND MADELYN RAGAN - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ What a precious man who brightened many, many peoples day with that bright smile and encouraging words. All throughout the day, whether at the track walking or at the grocery store, he would just pop up anywhere passing out candy, smiles and handshakes. He brightened my dear mother's day on his walks by just stopping by and asking her to walk around the block with him. He knew how slow and feeble she was, but took the time to walk with her, just made her day. She passed away in May so I know how you feel, but makes it much easier knowing they lived a life helping and serving others, but most of all serving and loving the Lord! He was one of a kind, thanks for sharing him with this community, he will be greatly missed by me and my family. Praying for you all! Susan Presley

Randy and Susan Presley - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Pam and Brad i am sorry to hear of the loss of your dad. May God be with you in this time of sorrow.

Tracie Cissom Hopkins - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Mr. Kerry Hill was a great friend to me and my family. He will be deeply missed. My heart and prayers go out to the family.

Richard Carr - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *prayers for the family, Kerry W. will be missed at the barbershop for sure.*

Larry Windham - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *Ripley has lost it's greatest citizen and he will always be remembered for working to keep Ripley, MS "on the map". Thank you, Kerry, for your efforts to bring progress to our town!*

Randy and Sylvia Sexton - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Sending my thoughts and prayers to the Hill Family! Mr. Kerry was a very sweet man and will be missed!*

Sherry Norris Crawford - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ *You are in my prayers. Please know that I will always love your family.*

Evelyn Nations Smith - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Mr. Hill was great man! He will be missed greatly! We send our Thoughts and Prayers to your Family.*

The Eddie Huddleston Family - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ SO SAD TO HEAR KERRY IS GONE. WE HAD SOO MANY GOOD MEMORIES WITH HIM. HE WAS WITH US WHEN OUR FIRST CHILD WAS BORN. THAT WAS 55 YEARS AGO IN JAN. WE LOVE AND APPRECIATE THE WHOLE FAMILY

JAMES CLIFTON & BERNICE THORNTON [cousin] - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I didn't know Kerry for very long but he was a very nice and considerate man. Was a lot of fun to be around. My sympathy to his family at this time. Such a sad loss to a lot of friends and family.

Jan (Hunsucker) Mangrum - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ My heart truly breaks for all of you. I know what it's like to loose a parent. Your Dad was a very special man to a lot of people me included and I can honestly say he loved Ripley and always thought of ways to make it better

Jane Crawford - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Our prayers and condolences go out to the Hill family. Mr. Kerry(cuz) will be forever missed by all. Mr. Kerry was a special friend and person to us.

Billy and Myra Hill - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ My sincere condolences go out to this family. Mr Kerry will forever hold a special place in the heart of our community.

Carie Hill - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Our sincere sympathy goes out to the family of Kerry Hill it was just last week he was there to comfort us. May God bless and keep you is our prayers.

The Bails Family - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ My condolences goes out to the family of Kerry Hill. He was a very great man. He always stopped to say hi! Everytime he spoke to me it was always "hey cuz"..He was loved and will be missed by all.

Courtney Lawson Brown - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ So SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS KERRY WAS A FINE MAN AND MAYOR HE WILL BE MISS MY PRAYER ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

Betty Ross - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ May God bring you comfort in this time.

Phillip Counce - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all for the loss of your dear loved one. May fond memories help ease your pain. We pray you will find comfort and strength offered by our Lord in the trying days ahead.

Malcolm and Jane Kuykendall - December 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM