Rupert Christopher Weddle

Born: 4-30-1901, Pulaski Co.

(Heart attack)


Spouse: Laura Jane Price, b. 6-08-1904, Casey Co.; Still living

Married: Daughter of Ed Granville Price & Laura Bell Goode Price, Casey Co. (Laura Jane still lives on Walnut Hill in Casey Co.)

Occupation: Proprietor-Owner of R.C. Weddle Grocery on Walnut Hill. Also farmed.

Religion: Baptist

Politics: Republican

(See enclosed news article for more info on Rupert C. Weddle)

Children of R.C. Weddle & Laura Jane Price:

1. Rupert Christopher Weddle, Jr.
   b. 08-14-1928, Casey Co.

2. Dolores Bell Weddle
   b. 12-11-1930, Casey Co.

3. Norma Jean Weddle
   b. 05-30-1934, Casey Co.
   d. 11-17-68, Baltimore, MD. Buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Casey Co.

4. James Gerald Weddle
   b. 03-21-41, Casey Co.
Rupert Christopher Weddle, Jr.

Born: 08-14-1928, Casey Co.

Spouse: Alma Vida Hatter, b. 09-22-28, Casey Co.

Married: 03-10-45, Casey Co.

Occupation: Farmer

Religion: Baptist (Walnut Hill Separate Baptist Church)

Politics: Republican

Children & Grandchildren of R.C. Jr. & Alma Vida Weddle:

1. Ronald Dale Weddle, b. 02-11-48 Boyle Co.
   
m. (1st marriage) Kendra Kaye Bartlett (b. 11-03-50, NY)
   06-06-1970 Wheaton, Illinois. Children:
   A. Leslie Marie, b. 09-22-75 Newport News, VA
   B. Ryan Christopher, b. 06-14-77 Bardstown, KY
       m. Jessica Michelle Stewart of Benton, KY
       on 06-02-98
   C. Ronald Scott, b. 12-04-79, Bardstown, KY
   D. Jennifer Lynn, b. 03-14-82, Bardstown, KY
       m. (2nd marriage) Linda Lou Sullivan (1st husband's name: Week)
       b. 11-04-51 in Pinson Fork, KY
       Ronald and Linda Lou were married on 07-01-89

Note: Ronald Dale Weddle works as a physician in
Bardstown, KY.
2. George Christopher Weddle ("Chris") b. 10-22-1953 in Boyle County, KY.

m. Connie Gaile Hatter of Casey Co. (b. 09-30-56)

Married in Casey County. Children:
A. Aimee Katherine, b. 03-29-78 Boyle County, KY
B. Joshua McKinley, b. 08-25-79
C. Bradley Lewis, b. 07-29-82
D. Kristin Elisabeth, b. 12-07-88

Note: Chris got his degree at UK, then returned to the family farm on Walnut Hill, which he currently runs. He sells insurance part-time.
Dolores Bell Weddle Sasser

Born: 12-11-1930, Casey County

Spouse: Dr. Gerald Sasser, b. _____

Married: 09-05-1948 in _____

Occupation: Formerly taught school; Quit to be a full-time housekeeper & mother.

Residence: Fern Creek, KY (a subdivision of Louisville)

Baptist and Republican (though her husband is a Democrat)

Children & Grandchildren of Gerald & Dolores Sasser:

1. Robert Sasser, b. Approx. 1954
   m. (1st wife) Mary Ann _____
   no children.
   m. (2nd wife) _____
   A. one child, name? _____

   Robert is a physician in Louisville, like his father.

2. Gerald "Jerry" Sasser, b. Approx. 1958
   m. (1st wife) Dinah _____
   Children:
   A. Jessica b. Approx. 1979
   B. "Jerr" b. Approx. 1987
Children and grandchildren of Gerald & Doloress Sasser, cont.

Gerald "Jerry" Sasser, cont.

m. (2nd wife) ____________________

One child. Name: ____________________

Note: Jerry lives in Ashland, Kentucky, and works for United Parcel Service.
Norma Jean Weddle Murphy
Born: 05-30-1934 in Casey County
Spouse: Charles Lewis Murphy, b. 05-09-34 in Casey County.
(Son of Johnny & Rosetta Murphy)
Married: 12-19-53 in Shelbyville, KY
Occupation: Homemaker, mother
Religion: Baptist
Politics: Republican
Died: 11-17-1968 in Baltimore, MD of acute myocarditis, 3-mos. pregnant at time of death.
Notes: Charles Lewis Murphy is retired from the U.S. Department of Agriculture & now lives in Annapolis, VA.

Children and grandchildren of Charles & Norma Jean Murphy

1. Charles Dennis Murphy, b. 03-17-1955 in Boyle Co., KY
m. Jane Slach (b. 07-09-56 in Freeport, Ill.)
m. 08-08-81 in Vienna, VA
Children:
A. Caleb Sean Murphy b. 01-30-83 in Lima, OH
B. Joel Stephan Murphy b. 10-24-85 in Kettering, OH
C. Sharon Arielle Murphy b. 03-28-88 in Morgantown, WV

Notes: Dennis works as a biomedical technician at WVU Hospital. Jane is an obstetric nurse who chose to stay home to home-school her children. The family is members of a 7th Day Adventist Church. They live in Morgantown, WV.
Children and Grandchildren of Charles & Norma Jean Murphy, cont.

2. Jane Christabel "Christy" Murphy (Campbell)  
b. 01-04-57 in Boyle County, KY  
m. David White Campbell, (b. 04-18-45 in Jacksonville, FL)  
Married 03-02-85 in Casey County, KY  
Children:
A. Kelly Jean Campbell, b. 12-12-85 in Norfolk, VA  
B. Laura Christine Campbell, b. 09-14-89 in Norfolk, VA

Notes: I (Christy) worked for Honeywell, Inc. for 9 years, then decided to be a stay-at-home mom. Currently do in-home child care. David works for the Crutchfield Corporation in Charlottesville, VA as a sales rep. We live in Ivy, VA - a suburb of Albemarle County, VA.

3. Patricia Ann Murphy (Vorhis) b. 05-02-58 in Boyle County, KY  
m. 12-28-81 in Springfield, VA to Richard Carson Vorhis (b. 11-20-58)  
Children:
A. Brenna Jean Vorhis, b. 08-10-89 in Richmond, VA  
B. Kevin Patrick Vorhis, b. 10-05-91 in Richmond, VA

Notes: Patricia and Richard separated in April, 1996. He is an attorney for the Va. State Bar Ass'n, and she
children and grandchildren of Charles & Norma Jean Murphy, co

3. Patricia Ann Murphy Varhii, cont.

   works as manager of the Richmond Symphony.

4. John Scott Murphy, b. 10-19-1962, Lexington, KY
   m. Stacy Havrilla (b. 11-13-64 in Wash, DC)
   Married 02-13-88 in Temple Hills, MD
   Children:
   A. Shannon Marie Murphy, b. 09-10-90 in Columbia, MO

Notes: Scott & Stacy & Shannon live in Columbia, MO. He is Branch Manager of NationsBank, and she works for State Farm Insurance. They are expecting their second child, a girl, in April of this year.
James Gerald Weddle
Born: 03-21-1941
Spouse: Zona Ellis, b. ________
Married: Sept. ______ 1957 in ______
Occupation: Attorney
Republican; No religious affiliation

Notes: James ("Jimmy") and Zona live on Walnut Hill (Rt.5) in Casey Co. He worked as a prosecutor for years, has always been active in local politics. Was elected county attorney several times. His office is in Liberty.

Children of James G. & Zona Weddle: (no grandchildren)

1. Bryan Weddle b. 1958
   Not married. Works for the U.S. Post Office in Lexington, Ky.

2. Lucinda Jane Weddle b. 1959?
   Not married. Works in the tele-communications field in Houston, Tx.

3. Suzanne Weddle b. 1961?
   Not married. Works as an attorney in Lexington, KY.

4. Andrea Lynn Weddle b. 1962 Boyle County, Ky
   Not married. Works as an attorney in Lexington, KY.
Children of James G. and Zona Weddle, cont.

5. Sarah Jean Weddle, b. 1969 Boyle County, KY
   Married Bryan South (b. ______)
   Married on ______ in ______

Bryan is in the Army. They currently live in NC.
Additional Data on the
Brothers of R. C. Weddle, Sr.

1. Leonard Galen Weddle
   B. 09-03-1899 in Faubush, Pulaski Co., KY
   M. 02-02-1924 to Ella Pierce (daughter of Tom)
   D. death date pending

2. John Winfred Weddle
   B. 02-07-1903 in Faubush, Pulaski Co., KY
   M. 04-09-1935 to Linnie Balduck
   D. 06-19-1971 in Casey Co.

3. Kenneth Edward Weddle
   B. 09-09-1904 in Faubush, Pulaski Co., KY
   M. Carrie Smith 08-15-1929 (Died c. Nov.98)
   D. death date pending

4. Lloyd Elliott Weddle
   B. 04-25-1909 in Faubush, Pulaski Co., KY
   M. 1) Ruth Vinters (from Pikeville, KY)
      2) Ola Mae Poindexter (As of now Jan.99 - she is still living, in Hopkinsville, KY)
   D. death date pending

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This is a copy of a photograph taken in either 1904 or 1905 of the three brothers Leonard Galen Weddle, John Winfred Weddle, and Rupert Christopher Weddle. Rupert Christopher (Pap) had been crying - he had been spanked because he didn't want his picture taken.
Rupert Christopher Weddle as a young man in his 20's.

Taken in DeLand, Illinois. F.W. Liestman Studio.
Rupert Weddle dies at 83

Rupert Christopher Weddle of Route 1, Liberty died Friday morning at his home. He was 83.

Casey County Deputy Coroner Algie Atwood said the cause of death was cardiac arrest.

Weddle was a prominent Casey County merchant and farm owner. He was the father of County Attorney James G. Weddle.

Rupert Weddle owned the R.C. Weddle Grocery Store on U.S. 127, south of Liberty. He also farmed hundreds of acres of Casey County land.

Weddle's store was widely known for its bologna sandwich and as a showcase for GOP posters, including ones that promoted Presidents Eisenhower and Reagan. While Weddle never held public office, he was influential in many campaigns.

James Weddle said the popularity of his father's bologna sandwich was a mystery. He said his father served only bologna and cheese sandwiches at the store and always sliced the bologna thick.

James Weddle also said his father, who probably only had a grade school education, was always proud that 10 of his 14 grandchildren had college degrees. Rupert Weddle was also proud that one of his nephews was a doctor and another will soon graduate from medical school.

**RUPERT WEDDLE**

Born April 30, 1901 in Pulaski County, Weddle was a son of the late William Marion and Dora Compton Weddle. He moved to Casey County in 1919.

He was married on Feb. 26, 1928 to the former Laura Price, who survives. A daughter, Norma Jean Murphy, and two brothers, Kenneth and S.W. Weddle, Sr., preceded him in death.

Besides his wife and James G. Weddle, other survivors include another son, R.C. Weddle of Liberty; one daughter, Delores Sasser of Louisville; two brothers, Leonard Weddle of Liberty and Lloyd Weddle of Hopkinsville; 14 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, Feb. 18, at 1 p.m. by Donnie Coffey, Danny Baily, and Roosevelt Brown. Musical selections were provided by Janice Popplewell.

Burial was in Casey County Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers were Tony Price and David McAnelly, and four of Weddle's nephews, Billy Weddle, John Weddle, Eugene Weddle, and Kenneth Weddle Jr.

**IN MEMORY OF**

Rupert C. Weddle

**BORN**

April 30, 1901

**DIED**

Feb. 15, 1985

**SERVICES FROM**

McKinney-Brown Funeral Home
Monday, Feb. 18, at 1:00 P. M.

**OFFICIATING CLERGY**

Bro. Donnie Coffey
Bro. Danny Baily
Bro. Roosevelt Brown

**FINAL RESTING PLACE**

Casey County Memorial Gardens

McKinney - Brown
Funeral Home
Liberty, Kentucky
Editor's note: The following tribute was submitted to Rupert Weddle, a longtime political observer and commentator. He was remembered for his wit and honesty, and his wisdom will be sorely missed. Rupert Weddle was a man of many opinions, and his death last week left a personal void in the political world.

Many of us, who knew him well, will remember his advice to politicians. He was a friend to all, and his influence will be missed.

Rupert Weddle, a former member of the Casey County Board of Education, passed away on October 2nd, 2023. He was a respected community leader and a beloved member of the Casey County community.

Tribute to Rupert Weddle

Casey County resident, dies at 83

R.C. Weddle, prominent public servant

Deaths

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