Ernest Bennett "Ernie" Price

Ernest Bennett "Ernie" Price, 62, of Pittsburg, formerly of Pleasanton, died at 11:20 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, 2005 at the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City, Kan.

He was born March 1, 1942, at Pittsburg, to J.C. and Clelia (Bennett) Price. He attended area schools, graduating from Quapaw (Okla.) High School with the class of 1960. He went on to NEO and graduated from Kansas Teachers College (PSU) with a master's degree and specialty degree in education.

On Aug. 13, 1960 he married Donna Raye Bird at Quapaw. She survives of the home.

He taught and coached at many schools including Lamar High School for two years, Fort Hays State for six years, Newton High School for two years, El Dorado Springs, Mo., High School for three three years, Quapaw High School for one year, Northeast High School in Arma for two years, West Elk High School in Howard for two years, where he was assistant principal, and Pleasanton High School for five years, as principal. He was superintendent for Moran High School for nine years, and principal at Pleasanton for five years until his retirement in 2002.

After retirement he and his wife moved to Pittsburg. He was most recently employed at Bath-Naylor Funeral Home and Friskel Funeral Home.

He was on the Kansas State Board of Education; Kansas State High School Activities Association.; NEA and helped organize funding for a new Moran school. He was involved with Superintendent Advisory Committees with Greenbush. He spoke at Kansas Congress for small school funding. There is an annex building at Pleasanton High School named after him. There is a plaque from East Central Kansas Special Education Cooperative for outstanding service as a member of Board Superintendent. He also received the Distinguished Service Award in school administration. He belonged to the Sugar Valley Lake Board in Mound City.

Additional survivors include his sons, Tracy Price of El Dorado Springs, Mo., and Jeff Price of Carthage, Mo.; daughter, Debbie Hobbs of Pittsburg; a sister Claire Thompson of Tulsa, Okla.; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Monday, at Bath-Naylor Funeral Home, with Pastor Joe Perkins officiating. The family will receive friends from 4 to 6 p.m. today at the funeral home. Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. today. Inurnment will be at a later date. E-mail condolences may be sent to admin@bathnaylor.kscoxmail.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Bath-Naylor Funeral Home, 522 S. Broadway.

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