



Dwight E. Neill

March 3, 1916 - October 25, 2008

Dwight E. Neill, 92, died Saturday, October 25, 2008 at the White County Hospice Center in Searcy, AR after a lengthy illness. Mr. Neill was born March 3, 1916 in Ft. Morgan, Colorado to George and Abbie (Shelton) Neill. He married Vera Jean Simms on January 20, 1936 and celebrated 70 years of marriage before her death in 2006.

He worked for the city of Ft. Morgan for 8 years serving in the roles of city clerk and city manager until 1945. He was manager of Buick-Chevrolet in Fort Morgan from 1945 till 1954 at which time he purchased a Buick-GMC dealership in Loveland, Colorado. In 1956, Mr. Neill sold his dealership and the Neills moved to the Denver Metro area where after a short period with the Colorado State Chamber of Commerce, he began a 20 year career with the State of Colorado. He spent most of those years as Director of Commerce and Development and retired in that position in 1977. After retirement, He and his wife lived in several Colorado communities including Loveland, Ft. Collins, and Grande Junction. In 2007, Mr. Neill moved to Searcy, Arkansas where he resided until his death.

Mr. Neill was a student of Bible and a faithful and practicing Christian. When able he attended worship services held at Harding Place by the College Church of Christ in Searcy, Arkansas.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his father and mother and three brothers including Fred Neill, Ray Neill, and Dyas Neill. He is survived by two sons, Donald (Jeanne) E. Neill of Sun City, Arizona, Gerald (Dorothy) S. Neill of Searcy, Arkansas; five grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren; a niece, Marilyn Batts of Ft. Morgan, Colorado; and nephew, Paul Neill of Grayslake, Illinois.

A private memorial service was held in Searcy, Arkansas on Sunday, October 26, 2008. Memorials may be sent to Mountain States Children's Home, P.O. Box 1097, Longmont, CO 80502-9912.

Arrangements entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of