

COLLETT MAYFIELD

At the time of his death on October 21, 1965, Collett Mayfield had been a member of the Nashville Bar for 43 years. He was born in Hohenwald, Tennessee in 1898 and attended the public schools of Maury County, later attending Castle Heights Military Academy from which he graduated. He attended Vanderbilt University Law School, graduating from that school in 1922. While attending Vanderbilt, he became a member of Lambda Chi Fraternity and retained his association with and his love of his college fraternity for the remainder of his life. He was survived by his daughter, Mrs. Bettie Ann Boles of Memphis, Tennessee, and a grandson, Richard Boles of Nashville, Tennessee. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

Within a short time after graduation, Collett Mayfield became an associate in the law office of General Jeff McCarn along with Dan Cunningham and later Carmack Cochran. Anyone associated with General McCarn could not help but feel the imprint of his character and derive benefit from that association.

After General McCarn retired from the active practice and following his death, the law firm of Cunningham and Mayfield came into existence. After the death of Dan Cunningham, Collett Mayfield became associated with Judge John Hilldrop in the law

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firm of Hilldrop and Mayfield. He was a member of the Nashville Bar Association and the Tennessee Bar Association. His reverence for and fidelity to the code of ethics governing the conduct of members of the legal profession were a part of his daily life. He faithfully adhered to those rules of conduct and expected the same respect for and adherence thereto from his brothers of the legal profession.

Collett Mayfield loved his profession and gave the very best of his ability to the practice of that profession, even with the handicap of the loss of his hearing and later the physical handicap of ill health. He had the respect and affection of his old friends and associates. In a short time new acquaintances came to share that same respect and affection. Collett Mayfield loved the outdoors. The only time that he could have been happier than when hunting or fishing was when he was discussing hunting or fishing with another who shared this love for the outdoor life. He was a member of all the local sportsman's clubs and was the author of numerous well accepted articles on wildlife appearing in local newspapers and elsewhere. Those of us, particularly, who had the opportunity of sharing some of the years of his earlier life with him, will carry with us always the memory of a kind and gentle and thoughtful human being, a man of tolerance, and a man of understanding, a man who had much to give to his friends and who asked nothing in return. On this occasion we offer this tribute to his life and this memorial on his death.

WHEREAS, Collett Mayfield held the love and affection of his friends, the confidence of the courts and the respect of his clients and business associates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the passing of Collett Mayfield is deeply felt by all those with whom he came in contact and particularly by his associates at the Nashville Bar who respected him in his lifetime and who reverence his memory in his death.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in his passing the Nashville Bar has lost a member devoted to the ideals of his profession, his clients have been deprived of an experienced and faithful counselor and his friends will miss the gentleness and sincerity of his friendship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be entered in the Minute Book of the Nashville Bar Association and a copy be sent to his daughter, Mrs. Bettie Ann Boles.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Boone,

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Committee