



Dail Martin Wescott

March 1, 1950 - December 8, 2024

Dail Martin Wescott, 74, of Coyville, KS, left this world peacefully in his sleep at home on December 8, 2024.

Dail was born in Neodesha, KS on March 1, 1950, to George Wescott and Maxine Wescott (Brock).

Dail spent the first years of childhood North of Fredonia where the family lived in a small farmhouse. The family soon outgrew the little house and moved into Fredonia on 7th street. Dail attended Fredonia High School where he met the love of his life, Janice Coats. Dail graduated High School in 1968 and joined the National Guard. Soon after graduation, he attended boot camp in Fort Polk, Louisiana. He returned to Fredonia and attended the Drafting Trade School in Coffeyville, KS. Upon completion, Dail was hired as a Field Engineer with the State of KS.

Dail married Jan on July 3, 1970, and moved to Waverly, KS to be closer to his new job building a portion of the I-35 Highway. In 1973, their first son was born. Dail, being young and ambitious, took a chance on a position with a water well drilling rig in Superior Arizona. Dail packed everything that they owned into his anchero and made the 20-hour drive to Arizona with their new baby tucked safely behind the seat. Dail was not impressed with Arizona and later commented, "There is no reason in the world that any person should live there." The family soon returned to Fredonia, KS where Dail soon took a job

with Tom Tindle Construction building houses in the Fredonia / Neodesha area. In 1977, their second son was born.

After several years with Tindle Construction, Dail ventured out on his own creating his lifelong career as a self-employed contractor. In 1982, their third son was born. Dail raised his family on 3rd street in Fredonia, later moving them to a larger house across town on Jefferson Street. In 1994, He purchased 20 acres of land outside of Coyville. Dail, his wife and their three boys built their new house outside of Coyville where he resided until his death.

Dail was a hard-working man. Over his long career, Dail and his crews-built houses, additions and barns all over Southeast Kansas, traveling as far West as Hugoton in Western Kansas, and as far east as McCune Ks. The last few years of his career he worked mostly for Wescott Mechanical, a collaboration built by him and his sons. He spent his days building projects for customers and then returned home to continue working on his personal projects until dark or later. Dail was an avid fisherman. He knew every honey hole on Toronto Lake, Fall River Lake, and every creek, pond, and river in-between. Dail had several classic cars that he worked over. He rebuilt motors, did body work, and enjoyed hot rodding them all around Coyville. He enjoyed spending time with his friends and family in his shop. One of his last creations, which he was most proud of, was a two-story tree house that he built around a large hedge tree outside of his home. The family spent countless hours in the tree house visiting, watching the sun go down and remembering good times. Dail never retired. He worked until he was 70 years old, and his body could no longer continue.

Dail died in his home that he and his family built together. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Janice Wescott (Coats) who was by his side from the time she was 16 until his death, sons William "Bud" Wescott of Coyville, KS., Steven and Cara (Prall) Wescott of Gilbert, AZ., Jay and Christina (Bauer)

Wescott of Cherokee, KS. Dail had four grandsons, Waylon Dail Wescott, Ian Dail Wescott, Isaac Jack Wescott, and the newest addition to the family Harlan Dail Wescott. He had one unofficially adopted grandson, Dallas Sharpton, of Bartlesville, OK. Three siblings, Leeann O'Brien (Wescott) of Springfield Missouri, John and Nancy (Anderson) Wescott of Willard Missouri and Mark and Toni (Blevins) Wescott of rural Fredonia, Nine nieces and nine nephews.

Dail was preceded in death by his parents George and Maxine Wescott, Mother and Father-in-Law Paul and Wilma Coats, Brother-in-Law Bill O'Brien, Sisters-in-Law Glenice Stussy, Wilma Cox and Cathy Joy.

A Memorial service will be held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, January 11, 2025 at the First Christian Church in Fredonia, KS.

Services are under the guidance of Countryside Funeral Home, Fredonia, KS

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Christian Church
303 N. 7th
Fredonia, KS 66736

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dail Martin Wescott.*



January 07, 2025 at 03:09 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dail Martin Wescott.

January 07, 2025 at 03:09 AM



“ *Dail was one of my all time best friends. One of those friends that if we didn't see one another for several years it seemed as though we hadn't missed a day, always loyal and real. Will miss the visits when passing through and will always cherish the day we shared a few months ago. Prayers for Jan and Family for comfort and peace.*

dick robertson - December 28, 2024 at 04:24 AM



“ *Dail would come to my place to get a tire repair now and then. We always had a great visit. Dail was a nice guy , and had many great stories to tell. He told of the time the bus driver kicked them all off the bus, and they had to make their way home. I will miss visiting with Dail.*

Brent Dyer - December 27, 2024 at 09:00 AM

WI

“ I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. Peace be with your family.



Wincle-Wood - December 27, 2024 at 08:02 AM

MO

“ Marshall @Linda Ogle lit a candle in memory of Dail Wescott



Marshall @Linda Ogle - December 13, 2024 at 04:00 PM

BF

“ Brian Crites Family lit a candle in memory of Dail Wescott



Brian Crites Family - December 12, 2024 at 10:08 PM

MS

“ MSechler lit a candle in memory of Dail Wescott



MSechler - December 12, 2024 at 09:06 PM

GG

“ He was a very wise man. Lots of laughs an great memories. I'm so sorry Jan , bud , Steven an Jd. Praying for you all.

Gina gleason - December 11, 2024 at 01:18 PM

AM

“ anita martin lit a candle in memory of Dail Wescott



anita martin - December 10, 2024 at 09:38 AM

BW

“ A great man and friend. I learned a lot of things from Dale over the years. Always there to help a person out.

Billy E Williams - December 10, 2024 at 06:19 AM

SH

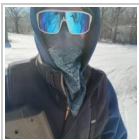
“ My deepest condolences to the family.
Shielah and Mike Harvey

shielah - December 09, 2024 at 06:10 PM

BK

“ So sorry, Jan and boys.

Brad Kiddoo - December 09, 2024 at 05:46 PM



“ He was always my best friend, but sometimes he was my only friend.

Bud Wescott - December 09, 2024 at 03:23 PM



Thinking of you!

December 09, 2024 at 08:41 PM



Always liked all the Wescott's---Rodger Shinn

Rodger Shinn - December 10, 2024 at 08:18 AM



Bud you and your family are in ours prayers. Dad really took his passing to heart as we both know the history between our families

David Lockhart - December 13, 2024 at 03:43 PM



Thank you David Lockhart

Bud Wescott - January 02, 2025 at 09:31 PM



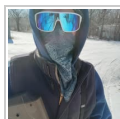
“ Daily always had a smile whenever I'd see him.

Wanda Myers - December 09, 2024 at 03:03 PM



“ Worked with Dail in the early 70,S doing carpentry work. Lots of good memories and stories. Rest in peace old friend

David Lockhart - December 09, 2024 at 02:40 PM



He spoke of you from time to time while working David, He had respect for you and your craftsmanship. Thank you.

Bud Wescott - December 25, 2024 at 10:54 PM