

Mr. McKay

Robert Woodard McKay, 70, of Franklin, died Monday, Oct. 5.

A native of Shelbyville, Ind., he was the son of the late Robert Ernest McKay and Eleanor Edel Woodard McKay. He was an Army Signal Corps veteran. He received his B.S. in journalism, was a post-graduate student member of Theta Chi and a member of Gold Key at Florida State University. He was a member and vice-president of the Lions Club in Andrews, member of the Press Club in Atlanta, Ga., member of the Public Relations Society in America, where he received a man of the year award. He retired from Sperry and Hutchinson, where he worked as public information manager. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church. He enjoyed traveling, writing, canoeing, kayaking and equestrian activities. He was preceded in death by a son, Kimble Patterson McKay, who died in 1987.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Bartz McKay; two sons, Donald Woodard McKay of Chengdu, China, and Douglas Marshall McKay of Atlanta, Ga.; one daughter, Elizabeth "Betsy" E. McKay of Atlanta, Ga.; two step-daughters, Victoria Lynn Sharrow of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and Cora Lee Siegel of Coral Springs, Fla.; one brother, Kimble D. McKay of Sebring, Fla.; one sister, Barbara Jean Scott Lekner of Stow, Ohio; four step-grandchildren; two nephews and one niece.

A memorial service was held Thursday, Oct. 8, at First Presbyterian Church, with Revs. Tyler Martin and Horace Holden officiating.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, c/o Margaret A. Cabe, 348 Bidwell St., Franklin.

Macon Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.