



State of Tennessee

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 122

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Lonnie Jerome Emanus of Fayette County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Lonnie Jerome Emanus; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Emanus was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of the Oakland Community in Fayette County, Lonnie Emanus was born in Zwolle, Louisiana, on November 23, 1924, to Peter Raymond Emanus and Jettie Ann Price Emanus; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Emanus served with valor and distinction as a member of the United States Navy during the Korean Conflict; and

WHEREAS, he was joined in holy matrimony with the former Katherine "Kathy" Knighton on February 3, 1949; and

WHEREAS, Lonnie Emanus served with acumen and alacrity as the operator of Emanus Tile & Marble Contractors in Fayette County for many years until his retirement in 1990; and he had been associated with the tile and marble industry for more than sixty years; and

WHEREAS, active in his community, he was a former member of the Fayette County Chapter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Emanus will be remembered as an avid golfer who also enjoyed fishing, hunting, horses, and participating in area horse shows; and

WHEREAS, he was a devout member of St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, he was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Emanus was preceded in death by his parents and his wife; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his children, Debra Sims and Mike Emanus (Donna); two sisters, Joanne Ebarb and Faye Emanus; two brothers, Eddie Emanus and Harold Emanus; seven grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Lonnie Emanus leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Lonnie Jerome Emanus, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Emanus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

ADOPTED: April 26, 2012



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE