

## **Leon Ray Pivont, Jr.**

Leon Ray Pivont, Jr. was born October 26, 1947 in Hinton, to the late Leon Ray Sr. and Anna Ruth Vanscoy Pivont. He is a lifelong resident of Hinton.

Ray is a 1965 graduate of Hinton High School and attended Beckley College and graduated from the Kentucky School of Mortuary Science in Louisville, Kentucky. Following graduation, Ray joined the staff of E.M. Meadows Funeral Home.

Ray married the former Donna Mock in 1967. They have owned & operated the Hinton Floral & Gift, Inc. in Hinton since 1972. Ray purchased the E.M. Meadows Funeral Home from the Meadows family in 1991. The name was changed to “Pivont Funeral Home”; however, it has kept the same friendly traditional services as were provided by the Meadows family for so many years.

Ray and Donna have two children, Autumn Lea Pivont Paluch & her husband Ted of Raleigh, NC and Leon Ray Pivont, III & wife Dena Wykle Pivont of Hinton; and 7 grandchildren, Evan, Avery, Gavin & Sullivan Pivont all of Hinton and Payton, Landry & Quest Paluch all of Raleigh.

Ray has been active in many civic affairs in the community, serving as fire chief for the City of Hinton for 30 years. He is a member of the Hinton Lions Club and serves on the Unsafe Building Commission for the City of Hinton. Ray also serves on the board of the West Virginia State Water Festival. Ray & Donna attend First Baptist Church of Hinton. He has been an avid Summers County sports fan. He and his wife, Donna, cheered their Granddaughters, Evan, Avery, Gavin, and Sullivan as they played basketball, volleyball and cheerleading.

**Leon Ray Pivont, Jr. We Salute You!**

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