Everette Garfield Crawford

Everette Garfield Crawford born September 1903 in Ballard, West Virginia to George Roscoe Conklin and Nora Willie Pack Crawford. He was a Charter Member of the Main Street Baptist Church that reorganized as Camon Baptist Church around 1925 where he served as Sunday School Superintendent and was church Treasurer for more that forty years. Mr. Crawford married Naomi E. Dandridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Dandridge of Parkersburg, WV. From that union there were two sons, Everett W. Crawford who retired a high-level government employee in Washington, DC and Theodore Andrew Crawford who retired a full colonel from the United States Army.

Mr. Crawford was in the first full twelve-year graduating class at Lincoln High School in 1926. He attended West Virginia State College and played on one of that school's undefeated football teams. He received his Master's Degree from Ohio State University. Mr. Crawford attended coaching schools at Northwestern University under Knute Rockne and Ohio State University under the direction of Paul Brown. He attended three Mathematics and Science Foundation Institutes. He taught and coached at Dunbar School in Fairmont, WV and Lincoln High School, Hinton, WV. He served as Principal of Lincoln High School for seventeen years. Beginning 1962-1963 school year Mr. Crawford was reduced from Principal at Lincoln High School and was assigned to Hinton High School as a teacher and head of the mathematics department. School Superintendent Irvin Maddy recommended Mr. Crawford for the Principal's position at Forest Hill and Talcott, both being rejected by the Board of Education, though he was the most qualified person in the county for the positions. Superintendent Maddy spoke highly of Crawford: "He is very much a gentleman and an outstanding teacher."

Mr. Crawford retired from his teacher position in 1970 but continued to teach as a substitute teacher for several years. He died on March 18, 1999 at the age of 95 and is still well spoken of in the community of Hinton and all of Summers County.

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