

accomplish. There was no name-calling and no accusations. It was almost a sedate and gentlemanly race. Ben Arnsley won that campaign easily and remained in the Tennessee State Senate until his retirement in 2008.

Blanton had been elected governor over Lamar Alexander. The Democrats proved just how viable they were in 1976. Tennessee was Jimmy Carter's second best state in the country after his native Georgia. Bill Boyce, despite meeting

community. Throughout his entire life, Ben Arnsley embodied what his generation saw as the "American Dream." Although an extremely modest man, it was readily apparent just how ahead Ben really was when one

to the community. It is impossible to calculate the impact Ben and Sue had upon my own life, nor is it possible to measure their friendship. The older I've become, the more I've realized the greatest gift life has to offer are



Curtis Bentley Arnsley, Jr.

those friendships that bring many others, will keep Ben alive and comfort those Arnsley gives in my heart. I loved Sue and Ben for a and memories for the rest of my own life. very long time and live so



## Attorneys for sheriff retirees seek \$190,000 in fees

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The original "settlement" proposed by the Knox County Retirement and Pension