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four-lane highway pulled onto the shoulder and patiently waited for the procession to pass. This continued for the entire eight to ten miles we traveled. If someone failed to pull over, other motorists honked until they complied. But the next observations were the ones that touched my heart the most.

I saw a young man pull onto the shoulder, step out of his truck, remove his hat, and stand with it over his heart. An officer who was not part of our escort pulled over and did the same beside his cruiser. I was deeply moved by their show of respect. The people of Crossville took time out of their busy day to honor someone they had never met, and we could clearly see the support of the community.

What can we learn from this?

Our attitudes and actions are seen by those around us. Do we want to be known as the people who view others as interruptions to our daily activities, or as people who willingly pause to show honor, compassion, and respect?

Let us remember Romans 12:9–13 ESV: “Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.”

May we be the kind of people who surprise others by living lives devoted to God, living out His commandments, and sharing with them His love.

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Honor and Respect



Have you ever been surprised by someone's actions that showed honor and respect toward you or your family? I would like to share a memory from sister Shelba's funeral procession.

This took place in Crossville, Tennessee. As we left the funeral home and entered the main turnpike, a police officer escorted the procession, which included several cars.

What I witnessed next blew me away. Cars on both sides of the divided

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