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## Warren, Madge Moore mourned

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Warren Moore is being remembered for his dedication to the people of Union, a community that he served for years as an elected and appointed official.

Moore, 66, and his wife Madge died in a shooting at their Indian Hill Drive house on June 12. Michael Moore, a son, was shot too but is recovering. The Moores have an older son named Warren S. Moore III who is an associate professor of English at Newberry College in South Carolina.

Mayor Don Kirby said Moore and Madge "were super people. He was a patriot (and) believed in our country."

The Moores had lived in Union since 1978, the city's Web site said. He served as mayor and as a city commissioner at various times. He was first elected a city commissioner in 1982. Warren was retired from a 40-year career in information technology, the Web site said. He became city administrator in 2006.

City Clerk Kathy Porter said Moore "was a family man. He was so in love with Madge." She said they loved each other, each one was there for the other and they loved their boys. She said Madge was a mother that everybody would love to have and was funny.

"They just both had fun together and just enjoyed each other," Porter said.

Kirby said he thought of Moore as a colleague and as a friend. Kirby said when he was sworn in as mayor in 2003, Moore was very, very supportive and offered him a lot of friendly advice. Kirby said as city administrator Moore always made sure he was in the loop on everything.

Kirby said the city is going to miss Moore from a public-servant perspective and from just the way he treated people. Kirby said he is going to miss him personally. He said Moore provided a lot of help to him.

Porter said Moore was the best boss that anybody could have and was like a father-figure to her.

Walton Mayor Phil Trzop said Moore "was a part-time mayor with a full-time love for the city."

Kirby said Moore knew Union about as well as anyone. Kirby said Moore "knew every nook and cranny of the city which made him invaluable" being on the commission and later as city administrator.

Kirby said the commissioners have talked a little bit about what the city might do to remember Moore. Kirby said there will be something significant to honor Moore and his years of service to the city. Kirby said naming the old firehouse on Old Union Road which is now the city's community building after Moore would definitely be a possibility.

City Commissioner Todd Sayers said, "Warren was definitely an asset to the city and will be sorely missed."

Said Kirby, "The great thing about Warren is he never saw himself as a politician. He just saw himself as a citizen-servant of the people and that came through in the way that he approached public service."

