



John Mark Holder

July 29, 1916 - January 26, 2008

John Mark Holder, age 91, of Newport, passed away, Saturday, January 26, 2008 in Athens, TN.

John, was a retired Industrial Arts High School Teacher, taught eight different specialties, at High Point Central High School, High Point, NC. He was also President of North Carolina Industrial Arts Association in the 60's.

John received his BS and Masters from ETSU in the mid 1950's.

He was a veteran having served in the US Navy from 1939-1945, after bootcamp, served on the Heavy Attack Cruiser, USS Louisville, (CA-28), in the south pacific for the duration of WWII, where the ship and crew earned 13 battle stars. He was also in the US Navy Reserve from 1951-1953, Jacksonville, Florida.

He was a member of the Newport Masonic Lodge # 234 F&AM, more than 50 years.

His two greatest achievements were living a good Christian life and having a loving Christian family. He was instrumental on the building committee in the founding of Westchester Baptist Church (previously North Main Street Baptist). He also served on the Board of Deacons, and taught Sunday School at First Baptist Church in Newport after moving to Tennessee.

John was a great believer in youth development in addition to high school teaching, was adult leader with Troop 1 when his son entered Boy Scouting, in 1966 became Boy Scout summer camp director for several years, was Woodbadge trained and received the Silver Beaver Award, the highest of

three awards presented to adult Scouters for distinguished service to young people within a local BSA Council.

His only remaining goal was to pilot a small plane across the Atlantic.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Mark Daniel and Lena Bible Holder; brothers, Ed, Val, and Earl Holder.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Euna Katherine Ratcliff Holder, whom he married May 17, 1942; son and daughter-in-law, Daniel D. and Sandra Anderson Holder, of Cleveland, TN; daughter, Marcia Kay (Holder) Fortson, of Lompoc, CA; grandchildren, Mark James Holder of Cleveland, Jennifer K. Pritchard and husband, Jeremiah A. Pritchard of Benton, TN; great grandchildren, Zachary Holder of Cleveland, Jennah Pritchard, Miah Pritchard and McKennah Pritchard of Benton, TN; sister-in-law and her husband, Agnes and Bill Lowe of Telford, TN.

Funeral services will be held 3:00 pm Tuesday, January 29, 2008 in Manes Funeral Home Chapel, with Dr. Richard Lloyd officiating. Burial will follow in Union Cemetery, with L/Cpl Charles C. Roberts DAV Chapter 102 conducting military rites.

The family will receive friends from 1-3 pm Tuesday at Manes Funeral Home prior to the funeral services.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Mark Holder*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *It is with great sadness I attempt to share my sympathy. Mr. Holder was my machine shop, welding, foundry and drafting teacher. He taught us much more than mechanical skills. Mr. Holder taught us life skills. He was authoritative and yet personable, s*

Terry Hunt - February 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *I was saddened to read about the death of Mr. Holder. The Holders were a great asset to High Point Central High School. Mr. Holder taught my husband, John to weld. I had Mrs. Holder for geometry. As I reflect back over the years, I remember Mr. Holder's*

Mary Jane Grant Anderson - January 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *I work for the Boy Scouts and have for 32 years in High Point and Greensboro. I enjoyed visiting and talking with John about Scouting. I also attended Westchester Baptist Church. He was a very nice and thoughtful person. I have very fond memories of him. So*

Dale Florence - January 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *John Mark Holder*

ROBERT O. CLARK - January 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RO

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KY

“ *My deepest condolences go out to Euna and family. John and Euna were not just colleagues of mine at High Point Central; they were warm, encouraging friends to me not only as a student many years ago, but also as a new teacher who needed a kind word and e*

Keith Yokley - January 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *I want to express my condolences to the family of "Brother" John Holder, his memory will never fade here in High Point. John taught me drafting, metal shop and welding in high school, all which I have turned into a career as an aluminum fabricator, and h*

Randy Hedrick - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Mr. Holder will be missed on Hiwassee Street. He and Euna are fine people. I NEVER saw Mr. Holder that he didn't ask me, "Girl, do you go to church?" Thankfully I was always able to tell him yes!*

Dawn Williams - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ *Euna, our thoughts and prayers are with you. We remember John from school Westchester Church. Also Scouting. We have a lot of fond memories of both of you. Elsie Johnie, Tim, Ricky Danny Jones*

Elsie & Jones Jones - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

IB

“ To the family my prayers and sympathy are with you may god bless and give you peace .

Irene Dollar Brown - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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MB

“ My deepest sympathy to Mrs. Holder and your family. I attended church w/ Mr. & Mrs. Holder at Westchester Baptist Church in High Point, NC. I also graduated from High Point Central High School. So I have fond memories of Mr. Holder's warm & pleasant smil

Martha (Watkins) Blevins - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ We are thinking of you and your family during this most difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Robert and Yvonne

Robert and Yvonne Chastain - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ John Mark Holder

Ed McDonald - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ May God's peace be with the family during this difficult time.

Susan Brown - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *John Mark Holder*

paul shaver - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you. Love to all, Dreamia*

Dreamia Holder Webb - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *My deepest sympanthies. God Bless You All, Darla (Dreamia's daughter)*

Darla (Webb) Sullivan - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *Mr. Holder was one of the highlights of my time at High Point Central....I will never forget him. Class of 1976*

Craig Ryals - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *John Mark Holder*

JAMES R. CARRELL - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WA

“ *John Mark Holder*

Wanda - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WC

“ I am so blessed to have had Mr. & Mrs. Holder in my life. It was a nudge from Mrs. Holder that first started my walk with the Lord. I have thought of them so often over the years and wish I had been in touch. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Ma

Wanda Seagraves caylor - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Aunt Euna, Danny, Marsha and family: We would love to have been with the family today, but due to illness here, we are pretty confined. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this sad time. We all loved Uncle John and remember the good times spen

JAMES AND MARGARET BLAZER - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ John Mark Holder

Bill Justus - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Brother Holder was a fine man and will be missed. Bobbie and I got to know him when he donated a fine table to the Masonic Lodge. Our condolences to the family.

Luther Taylor - January 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time. Andy, Sherry, Adam & Noah (Dreamia's daughter)

Sherry (Webb) Fisher - January 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM