



Robert Denman "Denny" Pruitt

October 18, 1932 - September 2, 2008

Robert Denman "Denny" Pruitt, of Knoxville, passed away peacefully, Tuesday, September 2nd with his sons at each side. He was born October 18, 1932, in Newport, TN, and grew up there and in Morristown. He graduated from Cocke County High School in 1951, lettering in football and basketball. He served in the Army Signal Corps in Korea, and in the Army Reserves in Newport and Knoxville. An avid outdoorsman, he loved fishing area streams and lakes, and the solitude of his garden. Bob maintained a public accounting practice in Knoxville for over 40 years. During retirement, he ushered UT football games, and UT men's and women's basketball games. He was a member of Central Baptist Church of Bearden, serving as an usher and active Sunday School Member.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Martha Boatman Clift.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann Pruitt, with whom he celebrated 50 years of marriage on June 7, 2008. Other survivors include his sons and daughters-in-law, Col. Mark Pruitt and Christal Pruitt of Niceville, FL and Lance and Mary Cullison Pruitt of Knoxville; grandchildren, Weston, Sarah, Hunter, Riley, and Carson; first cousins, Helen "Sissy" Finley of Mascot and Reverend Dana Boatman of Knoxville; and brother-in-law, Kenneth Calfee of Newport.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 pm Thursday, September 4, 2008 at Central Baptist Church at Bearden, Knoxville, TN and from 9-10 am, Friday, September 5, 2008 in Manes Funeral Home Chapel, followed by the funeral services at 10:00 am, with the Reverend Dana Boatman officiating. Burial will

follow in Union Cemetery with military honors.

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Denman "Denny" Pruitt*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Ann- I just today 9/22)learned about your husband's passing and was so sorry I didn't know in time to come and pay my respects in person. Please know that you and your sons and grandchildren are in my prayers, as well as all of those connected with A Han*

Eva Pierce - September 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bob was a good neighbor to us when he lived on Candy Ln 37920. His garden was one of the nicest I ever saw. We often talked over the fence, so to say. Our boys played very well together. We missed Bob, Ann, Mark, and Lance when they moved. A good neighb*

Owen & Gayle Doman - September 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry to hear this news.Bob was one of our favorite customers at Papa John's Cafe.You all will be in our prayers.*

Larry and Donna Bird - September 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *I live in Kingston Woods subdivision, next door to Bill Chimley, a longtime friend of Bob's and it was through Bill that I met Bob. I was deployed with Bob on at least two Fema jobs, the last of which was in Baton Rouge, La in 2002. I am also the person*

Bill Roberts - September 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *Mark, Chris and children, You are in our thoughts and prayers. We were so sorry to hear of your loss. Mark, I am glad you got home. Please give out condolences to your Mom. We love you, The Keyes*

Martha, David, Joshua and Caroline Keyes - September 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers!*

maal johnson - September 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love, Steve, Ingrid, Christopher, and Brendan*

stephen swearengin - September 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *Tom, Hannah and I are so sorry to hear about Mark's dad. Although we never met him we can tell by Mark's character what a great father he was. We are glad family can be there with you all. We are there in spirit. Tom, Susan & Hannah Rose Halliday*

Susan Halliday - September 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ *Robert Denman "Denny" Pruitt*

LISA GILES - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ To the family; we were so sorry to hear about the passing of Bob. He was a special person and will always be remembered by us.
Jerry and Sylvia Spurling

Jerry and Sylvia Spurling - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ *Mary Ann, my thoughts and prayers are with you. I will never forget our High School association and us watching our sons play football at Doyle. Denny was a great guy who will e missed by many.*

H. Ross Henley - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *I was so sorry to hear. My prayers are with you all. Troy*

Troy Doman - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *Robert Denman "Denny" Pruitt*

TONYA SMITH - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ *Robert Denman "Denny" Pruitt*

AMY HALL - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *sorry about your loss, Bob was a good friend, we'll miss him much. our prayers are with you, God bless Lois & Ken whaley*

lois & ken whaley - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

FW

“ *Love and prayers are with you*

Frances Waldrupe - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *It's been many years since we were neighbors, but I wanted to send my condolences and let you know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Todd Doman - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *Sincere sympathy to all the family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Bill and Margaret Smith - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *Chris, Mark, Weston, Sarah Beth, & Hunter We are so sorry about your Dad and Granddad. Prayers are going up..... know we love you all! SMITH COUSINS Smith Family*

Kandy - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *Mark, So sorry about your Dad. Please know you are always in our thoughts and prayers. Love to all, Moe and Kandy (SMITH COUSINS)*

Moe Smith - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Mary Ann, Our thought and prayers are with you at this difficult time. God bless you.*

Chick and Betty DeBord - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *The greatest compliment I think that was paid to my late grandfather, John Smith, was by a preacher that said, "He took the boys that God gave him and raised them into fine men." Although I didn't have the pleasure of knowing Mr. Pruitt, I have know Mark*

larry smith - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time. Mary Ann and Junelle*

Mary Ann Stiles and Junelle Stiles Sellers - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ *Dear Ann and Family Dennis and I want to express our sympathy and love for you during this time. Please call on us for any help we can give. love Betty and Dennis Ledden*

Dennis and Betty Ledden - September 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *Our Sympathies to the loss of your beloved husband, father and grandfather. May God Bless You,*

Robert and Martha Pack - September 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

FP

“ *Robert Denman "Denny" Pruitt*

FREDIA PRUITT - September 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM