



Robert Earl "Bob" Pritchett

April 2, 1935 - March 31, 2016

Robert Earl "Bob" Pritchett, age 80, died on Thursday – March 31, 2016 at Golden Living Center in Arab.

He was born on April 2, 1935 in Pickens County Alabama to William Pritchett & Levie McCool Pritchett. Mr. Pritchett was married to Zelda Allene Crawford for 51 years. He served in the U.S. Army in Korea and later in the U.S. Army Reserves for 28 years and retired as a Lt. Colonel. Bob moved here in 1983 from Marion Alabama. He was an educator and was principal at Arab Primary School from 1983-1989. He was a former member of the Kiwanis Club, Alabama Education Association, Sunday School Teacher and Choir member. He did Mission work in Asia, Guatemala and Brazil.

Bob was a member of Gilliam Springs Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon. He was involved in several mission trips to Montana.

One of Bob's favorite quotes was "Better Than I Deserve".

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Zelda Crawford Pritchett; sons: Chad Pritchett (Tricia); Keith Pritchett (Donna); daughter: Renee Gibson (Roger); ten grandchildren; one great grandchild; brother: O.T. Pritchett (Barbara); sisters: Eloise Mills (Bud), Anna Katherine Richardson. He was preceded in death by his parents: William Pritchett & Levie McCool Pritchett, a brother Leon Pritchett and a sister Clarice Stokes.

Funeral service will be 3:00 p.m. Sunday – April 3, 2016 at Gilliam Springs Baptist Church with Brother Max Roden and Brother Jamey Pruett officiating. Burial will be in the adjoining cemetery. Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel,

directing.

Pallbearers will be Aaron Pritchett, Layton Pritchett, Colin Pritchett, Ryan Pritchett, Ira Thrasher, Eddie Pritchett and Michael Pritchett .

Honorary Pallbearers will be Kelvin Harbison, Louis McBride, Larry Shoemaker, Henry Mann, Earnest McGee, Jimmy Burnett, Don Lackey and Deacons of Gilliam Springs Baptist Church.

Visitation will be 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Sunday – April 3, 2016 at Gilliam Springs Baptist Church.

The Family request, in lieu of flowers please make donations to the Gilliam Springs Baptist Church Mission Ministry.

Cemetery Details

Gilliam Springs Cemetery

1351 North Brindlee Mountain Parkway
Arab, AL 35016

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 3. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Gilliam Springs Baptist Church
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Service

APR 3. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ So many things that I remember about this great soul. Everyone has a "Bob story" I reckon and here is one he shared with me that demonstrates not only his wonderful humor but his dedication to giving to the Lord. "Fred, I once bought two young calves that were almost identical and gave one to the Lord and promised to give whatever it brought when sold to Him and I took possession of the other one (although everything I own belongs to Him anyway) to profit as God permitted. One day when I was walking in the field I could only find one calf. I hunted until I found the missing calf. It had somehow wandered into an old dry well and had fallen in and killed itself. I thought about it for just a minute and then I looked into the sky and said, Lord, you sure didn't take very good care of your calf".....We laughed and laughed and I have never forgotten. I also never forgot a time when Bob and several other Godly men come to my house and mowed my big yard more than once while I was away so my wife wouldn't have to. It touched me deeply and I know he did much much more for many others as well. Thank you for letting me ramble and share about a man that I loved. It breaks my heart that I can not be there but know that my heart hurts for the whole family but rejoices at his home-going. May God give you all an extra portion of His love and comfort during this time of grief.
Fred Wafler

Fred Wafler - April 03, 2016 at 03:11 AM

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“ So very sorry for your loss. Our hearts & prayers are with you

carl & peggy saint - April 02, 2016 at 03:57 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Earl "Bob" Pritchett.*



April 02, 2016 at 08:01 AM