



In Memory of
R. W. BRUCE

February 16, 1930 - March 26, 2017

R. W. Bruce passed away on Sunday, March 26, 2017 at home surrounded by his loving family. He was born February 16, 1930 in Pleasant Hill, LA to Jesse and Iver Bruce. R. W. graduated from Byrd High School in 1948, where he was a member of the baseball, basketball, and football teams. After graduation, he played professional baseball with the Kilgore Drillers.

R. W. served in the U.S. Airforce during the Korean War, after which he worked as an Air Traffic Controller until his retirement.

R. W. married the love of his life, Jerry Ann Arnold, September 15, 1950, and they enjoyed a loving and joyful marriage for over sixty-six years. He was a devoted and proud father to five children; Rickey Bruce with wife Danis, Victor Bruce with wife Amy, Debbie Carr with husband Chuck, Brenda McNeal with husband Gary and Becky Clampet with husband Ricky. Also left to cherish his memory are twenty grandchildren, thirty great grandchildren, two great-great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

R. W. was a loving, honest and hardworking man. He received great joy and satisfaction from the simple pleasures of life; hunting and fishing with the guys, spending summers at the family camp on Lake Bistineau, impromptu family vacations and any celebration involving homemade ice cream.

R. W. was an active, charter member of Christ United Methodist Church, valuing his time with Joy Sunday School Class and Men's Prayer Breakfast.

R. W. is preceded in death by his parents, sister Vermell Glenn, and brothers Harold (Buddy), J.T. and Kenneth (Tootsie).

A service celebrating R. W.'s life will be held at Christ United Methodist Church on Thursday, March 30, 2017 at 1:30 PM with Rev. Dana Casey officiating. The family will welcome visitors on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 from 5PM to 7PM at Centuries Memorial Funeral Home. Serving as pallbearers for the service are grandsons Chris Thomas, Michael Bruce, Matthew Durden, Doug Hall, Jared Thomas, Daniel Bruce, Clayton McNeal, Shane Carr, Daniel Carr, Kenton Thomas and Brody Hall.

The family would like to thank Dr. Blanchard and the Willis Knighton Hospice for their compassionate care and J.W. Jones for his lifetime of friendship.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider a donation to The Joy Sunday School Class (at CUMC), The Quilt Ministry (at CUMC), or the Methodist Children's Charities.

Visitation

Wednesday, March 29, 2017 | 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Centuries Memorial Funeral Home

8801 Mansfield Rd., Shreveport, LA 71108 | (318) 686-4334

Driving Directions

Life Celebration

Thursday, March 30, 2017 | 1:30 p.m.

Christ United Methodist Church

1204 Crabapple, Shreveport, La 71118

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