



Truman Dale Pitts

August 10, 1932 - July 6, 2019

Truman Dale Pitts, 86, of Wylie, TX, formerly of Anna and Washington, IL, passed away Saturday, July 6, 2019 at home surrounded by his family.

He was born Aug. 10, 1932 in Anna, IL, the son of Truman Christopher and Zora Agatha (Ross) Pitts. He was married to Lura Louise (Dillow) on Dec. 23, 1953.

Dale served his country honorably in the US Air Force in the Korean War and was awarded several medals for his service.

Prior to his enlistment, Dale worked in Anna, IL for Producers Dairy, the family grocery store, Pitts Grocery, and in the office at Charles Gilmore Asphalt. In 1956 he and Louise moved to Peoria, IL. Dale went to work for Central National Bank of Peoria. After 35 years of service and several mergers he retired in 1991 as Assistant Vice President of the bank and manager of Data Processing Operations. He also did part time accounting work for local businesses and the school district. Dale helped coach little league baseball and basketball and served on recreation boards. He was a lifelong St. Louis Cardinals fan, attending many games across the country, and a 50 year season ticket holder for Bradley Basketball. In 2009 the couple moved to Wylie, TX.

Dale made his commitment to Christ at age 9 and was baptized in the Cache Creek near Anna. As a child he attended The First Church of the Nazarene in Anna, where many people there mentored his life and guided him in his Christian walk. In Peoria, Dale and Louise attended The First Church of the Nazarene and served as Sunday School teachers. In Washington, IL they attended Highview Church of God where Dale served as the church treasurer for 32 years, chairman of many committees and taught Sunday School. In Texas they attended the First Baptist Church of Wylie.

Survivors include his loving wife of 65 years Louise; 2 children, Debbie (Jon) Peters of Wylie, TX; Mike (Betsy) Pitts of Zionsville, IN; 5 grandchildren, Jason Peters of Wylie, TX, Janie Peters (David Stitts) of Aubrey, TX, Katie (Mack) Hamilton of Saratoga Springs, UT, Elana Pitts and Jennifer Pitts both of Zionsville, IN; and his brother Paul (Susan) Pitts of Scottsdale, AZ.

Visitation for Dale Pitts will be on Saturday, July 13, from 10:00 am to 11:00 am at Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro. Services will follow at 11:00 am with Rev. Larry Buckles officiating. Interment will follow in Anna City Cemetery with flag presentation by Illinois National Guard.

Memorial contributions may be made to The First Church of the Nazarene in Anna, Illinois and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Anna Cemetery

E Davie St
Anna, IL 62906
(618) 833-4083

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Anna
135 W. Vienna St.
Anna, IL 62906
(618) 833-2176
crain@crainsonline.com

Service

JUL 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Truman Dale Pitts*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *We were so sorry to hear about Dale. Praying for your family through this difficult time. Dale was truly a great man of God.*
Dick and Deane
Jerry and Dawn
Tim and Sharla

Dawn Purdue - July 12, 2019 at 10:13 PM



“ *Larry & Jennifer Lundeen purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



Larry & Jennifer Lundeen - July 12, 2019 at 01:44 PM



“ *Jim & Bev Dillow purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



Jim & Bev Dillow - July 12, 2019 at 10:22 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



July 12, 2019 at 09:21 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



July 12, 2019 at 09:18 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



July 11, 2019 at 01:12 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



July 10, 2019 at 04:41 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



July 10, 2019 at 11:15 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



July 10, 2019 at 10:28 AM



“ *Joyce lit a candle in memory of Truman Dale Pitts*



Joyce - July 10, 2019 at 08:09 AM



I have many wonderful memories of Dale and time spent with the family. Praying for God's peace and comfort in the days ahead.

Joyce Hale - July 10, 2019 at 08:13 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



July 10, 2019 at 07:41 AM



“ *Pamela Pitts lit a candle in memory of Truman Dale Pitts*



Pamela Pitts - July 10, 2019 at 01:57 AM



“ *Love Joey, Kim, Amelia, and Jack purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



Love Joey, Kim, Amelia, and Jack - July 09, 2019 at 07:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



July 09, 2019 at 06:33 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



July 09, 2019 at 02:18 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Truman Dale Pitts.*



July 09, 2019 at 12:28 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Jerry Hines - July 08, 2019 at 09:08 PM



“ *The best neighbors we've ever had, Dale and Louise. We have so many fond memories chatting in the backyard. So glad we kept in touch after we both moved away. Our thought and prayers with the family.*

Kate Lang - July 08, 2019 at 08:11 PM

MW

“ Margaret Witzig lit a candle in memory of Truman Dale Pitts



margaret witzig - July 08, 2019 at 11:05 AM

MW

I know the feeling of loss you have. however, there is a feeling of elation knowing there is no more suffering and inabilities. He is now free to walk and talk with the Lord. The song that says "I've got more to go to heaven for than I had yesterday" frequents my mind all the time. I chose yellow because I know he was a golden ray in all your lives. And, now he is enjoying the warm glow of heaven. A crown has been claimed and he left footprints for you all to follow to the end. Love and prayers Louise, Mike and Debbie. You will see every day the results of the legacy he has left. Take good care of mom. I know she is strong; but, this is something no one will ever understand until they experience it.

margaret witzig - July 08, 2019 at 11:18 AM

JA

“ Jan lit a candle in memory of Truman Dale Pitts



Jan - July 08, 2019 at 10:23 AM

JA

Sending healing prayers and comforting hugs. I am so sorry for your loss.

Jan - July 08, 2019 at 10:25 AM

LH

“ Last night, a wonderful man named Dale Pitts passed away surrounded by his children and wife. This man was my second father figure, one of my parents best friends, and one of my daughter's biggest cheerleaders. Growing up I remember picnics at the lake with our families, him taking me to Bradley Basketball games, and sharing the same birthday with him. I got my first house, he and his wife would come every other month on Tuesday to have Leonardo's ravioli dinner with me. Each new car I got, and there were a lot!, I drove to Washington to show him. I got married he tried to hide that he cried. I got divorced, he and his family were there as I cried. My daughter came home, he brought everyone to meet her. When i called, he always picked up the phone or called me back to chat. He shared my love of dogs. When they moved to Texas to be closer to his daughter during their golden years, he hugged me goodbye so hard and I bawled ... my heart broke. He is the reason I support the St. Louis Cardinals because for him and his son, the world just better stop for there is a game going on! Well, I know now he has the best seats in the house in heaven for the next game. And, I know that the void without him is unthinkable to his family and friends. So, Dale, you better be saving me a seat for an awesome basketball game...you will be greatly missed. From Raena and I, we love you.



Loreen Holloway - July 07, 2019 at 02:41 PM