



Gene Phillips

September 21, 1930 - December 24, 2008

Gene Phillips, 78 of Springdale died December 24, 2008 at his home. He was born September 21, 1930 in Ponca City, Oklahoma to Lonnie S. and Pearl Hewitt Phillips.

He retired from Jones Truck Lines as Manager of the Interline Department in 1991 after 29 years of service. He also worked with his father as a realtor for the Ozark Land Company from 1960 - 1967. He was a Staff Sgt. in the United States Air Force from January 1951 to December 1954 during the Korean War. He was an Eagle Scout and a former Scout Master of Troop 112. He graduated from Springdale High School in 1948. He attended College of the Ozarks where he lettered in football from 1948 to 1950. He also attended the University of Arkansas in 1955.

He was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church in Springdale. He enjoyed fishing and traveling and was an avid Razorback Football and Basketball fan. Most of all he loved his family.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Marion Juanita Phillips, Martha Helen Munson and Katherine Marie Largent.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years Wilma Phillips of the home ; one son Michael Phillips of Lowell; three daughters Ginger Bickerton Sampson of Seattle, Washington, Lisa Carlin of Westlake Village, California and Sherri Payne of Clarksville; ten grandchildren, one great granddaughter , two nephews and two nieces.

Funeral services will be Monday, December 29, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at Sisco

Funeral Chapel of Springdale with Rev. Charlie Foster officiating. Burial will be in the Bluff Cemetery.

Visitation will be Sunday from 2 to 4pm at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 3291 S. Thompson, Suite D104, Springdale, Arkansas 72764.

Tribute Wall



“ *Gene Phillips*

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ *We are unable to attend the funeral, but our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

May 29, 2013 at 05:03 PM



“ *You helped me learn to play football for the Red Dogs*

December 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Wilma & family...I am so sorry to hear of Gene's passing. He was my immediate supervisor for many years at Jones Truck Lines. He was a kind man & I thought very highly of him. Gena*

December 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *John cut Gene's hair at his Barber Shop for years and I worked with him at Jones Truck Line. He was a wonderful man.*

December 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *I worked with him at JTL. My prayers are with you and your family at this time of your loss.*

December 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Wilma and family:
So sorry for your loss. I spent a lot of time with Gene at JTL and considered him a close friend. Everyone knew how important his family was to him - forever talking about all of you.
Please know you remain in our prayers.*

Harold and Barbara

December 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Wilma, Ginger, Mike, Lisa, and Sherrie: You are on my heart and mind as I think of the pain you are feeling today. Gene is in a place where there is no suffering, no pain, no crying. We will all miss him greatly, but have the marvelous hope of seeing him again someday.*

December 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Wilma, Ginger, Mike, Lisa, Sherrie...our prayers are with you all in your loss of a loving and caring husband and father. For all who knew Gene, they'll remember a kind, genrous, unassuming gentlemen, whose laughter and smile were contagious. Please rest assured that he's home with the Lord. Becky and Bob*

December 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *wilma and family, we are sorry to read about gene we both worked with him at jones, and thought a lot of him. charley and pat*

December 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM