



Raymond Yeatman

April 30, 2012

Raymond T. Yeatman, 76, of Springdale, Arkansas died on April 30th, 2012. He was born October 9, 1935 in Hamburg, Arkansas to Corene Tucker Yeatman. He attended the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville from 1955-1958 followed by a 20 year Air Force career. During this time he received a BS degree from Florida State University in Meteorology and a Masters degree from Colorado State University in Atmospheric Science.

During his 20-year career as an Air Force weather officer, he served in Taiwan, Japan, Thailand and Hawaii in weather support during the Vietnam War. He was assigned duty as an Air Force ROTC Professor at the University of Arkansas from 1971-1974. His last assignment was as a Commander of Air Weather Services at Altus Air Force Base in Altus, Oklahoma. He retired as a Major in the Air Force in 1978.

He began a new career in the feed ingredient business where he was President and owner of Farm Commodities Inc. for over 20 years. Ray was an avid golfer and a past President and Board member of the Springdale Country Club. He enjoyed gardening, woodworking, trout fishing at Gaston's, grilling his family the "best" filet in NWA and spending time on his patio watching a good thunderstorm. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Springdale.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie A. Yeatman, to whom he was married 54 years, and two daughters, Lisa Van Osch and husband Michael Van Osch from Atlanta, Georgia and Julie Stokes and husband Michael Stokes from

Copenhagen, Denmark.

A memorial service will be held at Sisco Funeral Chapel on Friday, May 4th at 2:00pm. Flower arrangements may be sent to Sisco Funeral Chapel or, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Bread of Life, 212 W. Emma Ave., Springdale, Arkansas 72764.

Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond Yeatman*

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ *Marjorie, Lisa, and Julie, Im so sorry to hear about your dad and husband. I just found out from the internet. We lost Alan McCone , Saturday and I was trying to let you know as well. Im so sorry to hear all this news. My heart is with you guys and I remember the days of old and how much your dad meant to everyone and what a funny guy he was. He was and will always be in thoughts as you will too. I know he and my mom and all the rest of the family are having a good ole time up there. I know it hurts and it will get better. Love you guys.*

July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We cannot imagine how tough it is to lose someone so dear and so special and wonderful. He was an amazing man, and from the looks of his family a wonderful Dad and Husband. Our hearts go out to you all during this difficult time!*

May 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ We will miss you, Ray, and your visits when we come to the Dorsa house to visit the folks. My dad, Joe, worried about you till the day he died. I'm sure he's glad to see you once again on that bench under the tall tree in our Heavenly Father's front yard just off the 6th hole. I better not hear that either of you have been smoking!!! Mom, France Ann, will keep a close eye on Margie, so don't worry about that. We will check on her too.
You have been a dear friend and we were always comforted by the fact that you were a loving neighbor to our parents.
Thanks for being you. Debbie and Jerry

May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts are with Marge and Ray's family at his passing. I had the pleasure of serving with Ray in the ROTC unit at the University of Arkansas. Our offices were adjacent to each other with a door between the two. This door was almost never closed and Ray and I shared almost everything. It was indeed a good time. I am unable to attend the funeral since I am recovering from surgery.

Bill Geren

May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Robert and I are so sorry to hear of the your loss of Raymond. Our prayers are with you all as I have just suffered the loss of my dad to lung cancer a few months ago, and understand your pain. Hold on to those sweet memories and cling to each other. God will see you through and know that in time better days are ahead. Love you and again, so sorry.

May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Prayers and loving thoughts for Ray and his family. He was so supportive when my husband had his accident, he was always watching out for us girls at the other end of the building. He would act so tough and gruff but we all knew what a softie he really was. Thank you for your service to our country, Thank you for your support in my hard times. Ray, may you rest in peace knowing that you are loved and missed.

May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Please know that I'm thinking about your family and wishing you peace. Ray was an amazing man and a great Father. I always loved hearing his stories and his sense of "officialness" about everything, from the memo's he would send Lisa when we were in college to the bag of gourds he sent me home with a few years ago. He was stong, funny and wise. He will be missed by many. Peace and love to your family.

May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Ray's family. I always loved hearing his stories of his past lives and enjoyed listening to him relive them. I will miss his knowledge and humor. Every time we talked I would learn something new; usually around gourdes or peanuts. I am so grateful I had the opportunity to meet Ray and get to know him. He will truly be missed.

May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM