



Harold Bittle

September 9, 1924 - October 27, 2008

Joseph Harold "Jim" Bittle, age 84, of Searcy died Monday, October 27, 2008. He was born at Enright, Arkansas, September 9, 1924, the son of Josh and Armenda Ellette Bittle. He had worked for many years for the Wood -Freeman and B.J. Pierce Lumber Companies in Searcy and was a member of the Mt Pisgah United Methodist Church.

Mr. Bittle is survived by his wife, Sissy Bittle; a son, Calvin Bittle of Searcy; 3 daughters, Geneva Bradley of Searcy, Faye Johnson of Washington State, Barbara Barnes of Judsonia; a brother, John Bittle of Hot Springs; a sister, Patsy Herzog of Michigan; 7 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandson.

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply put, you are my Uncle Jim, and I'll love you forever. You put a smile on my face my whole life, and treated me like I was one of your kids.*

Robert H. "Bob" Bell

November 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *I consider myself "Blessed" to have an Uncle as great as My Uncle Jim was. Our trips (many) to Arkansas as kids were always highlighted with the knowledge that we would be spending some time at "Uncle Jim's and Aunt Inez's"*

Our Uncle treated each of us with time, a great commodity as we all know. He loved having us there and we always felt secure there despite the fact we were in the woods with the all the wild animals and that. :) My wife (Desiree) as well as my 3 kids had the privilege of meeting Uncle Jim 20 years ago; of course Uncle Jim had to give my kids a ride on his blue tractor. The kids were all smiles!

Upon arriving to Arkansas this week, I got reacquainted with Uncle Jim's and Aunt Inez's kids, grand kids and great grand kids. The families are a testament to how Uncle Jim lived his life.

As I walked up to say good-bye to Uncle Jim the final time he seemed to say to me "not good bye, I will see you later".

Love to all the families of Uncle Jim and Aunt Inez, our prayers are with you.

Nick & Desiree Herzog

November 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I want to thank all of you for the wonderful words spoken for Dad. He has left many friends and loved ones with good memories. There is a time for grieving and a time to celebrate our eternal life with the Lord Jesus Christ. Dad is with the Lord and I look forward to walking the streets of gold with him again.
GOD BLESS you all,
Geneva Bradley

November 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr. Bittle was one of my Most favorite customers. I looked forward to seeing his smiling face every month. He always gave me gardening and pruning advice which I desperately needed. He asked about my daughter every month and looked forward to seeing the new pictures I had of her. That meant so much to me. He is such a wonderful man. He is going to be so deeply missed by me and everyone else at the office. Every time he would leave he would say "Well, Lord willing I will see you next month." That is exactly what crossed my mind when I heard of him passing. He is now with the Lord. Though we will dearly miss him we can rest assure that he is in a MUCH Better Place now! To all of his family and friends I would like to send you my very heart felt condolences. Mr. Bittle will be greatly missed!
With Sympathy,
Ashley Tempel
Four Mile Hill Water Association

October 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ We will miss visiting with Jim. He loved Hunter & Haley and they loved him!!!Haley asked me who was going to water Jim's garden now...I am sure she'll come down and do that next summer!!!

October 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Sissy, I was saddened to hear of Jim's passing. It was a privilege to have been your previous pastor. You and your family, were, and are a vital part of The Mt. Pisgah United Methodist Church and the community. God had a special purpose for you and Jim. He has blessed you both all these many years. May God comfort you in this time of your loss. You are so precious.

October 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ To Kelly ..Your papaw loved you sooo much please take GREAT pleasure and knowing you were there with him until the end taking the best care of him you knew how someday god will show you favor for it.. Papaw will be greatly missed and someone will have to take care of his gardening and I bet you will take part of that..I have nothing but love and respect for you and your whole family..You all will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Tonya, Shane, and "Allycat"

October 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Geneva, so sorry to hear about your dad's death. You and your family are in our prayers. Ann and Clarence Johnson, Chapel Hill, Tennessee.

October 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Barbara, Stacy & Kelly so sorry to hear about your dad and grandpa's passing. My prayers are with you in this time of sorrow.
Wanda Harrell

October 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Uncle Jim, It has been so many years since I've seen you, but the memories last in my heart and mind forever. I loved visiting you and Aunt Inez. My thoughts and prayers are with all the family. God Bless and guide you and give you strength through this sad time. One day we will all rejoice together in heaven!! Love, Ginny, Jim Knapp and family. (Patsy & Nick Herzog's daughter)

October 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ We are sorry to hear of the loss of our friend, Mr. Jim Bittle. Wes will miss all of their hunting conversations together - plotting on how they were going to kill the next coyote. We will both miss seeing him coming down the road on his mule. Mr. Jim will be greatly missed. Your family is in our thoughts & prayers.

March 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM