

Roger Morrow Pitts

77 a resident of Lincoln, passed away March 15, 2016 at his home. He was born May 26, 1938 in Fayetteville, the son of Sterling and Mansie Elizabeth Morrow Pitts.

Roger married Mary Alice Mileur in 1958. He graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1961 with a general agriculture degree and certificate of teaching. They moved to Hot Springs where he taught Vocational agriculture at Lakeside High School for one year. They moved to Hope where he was then hired as the Farm Bureau Agency Manager in Hempstead County.

Roger and Mary Alice returned to the family farm in 1964 where they spent the next 52 years farming. They celebrated Washington County Farm Family of the Year in 1989 and were honored with the Arkansas Department of Agriculture Century Farm award in 2014.

Roger was a loving, humble and kind, yet competitive man. He was a member of the state runner-up Lincoln basketball team in 1956, named to the Arkansas State Little All-American football team and played one year of football at Arkansas Tech University. He spent his adult life as an avid Arkansas Razorback and Lincoln Wolves Fan. He loved traveling to surrounding cities and states to watch his children and grandchildren compete in athletics and participate in their many activities. Roger enjoyed hunting with his family and friends.

Served on the Lincoln Consolidated School District Board of Education
Chairman of Finance - Central United Methodist Church
Past president Washington County Farm Bureau
Washington County Farm Bureau Board of Directors
Member of F & AM Masonic Lodge # 615

He was preceded in death by his parents and his son Russell Sterling Pitts.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years Mary Alice Pitts; two daughters Sarah Simmons and husband Terry of Prairie Grove and Alicia Ezell and husband Tracy of Bryant; one daughter-in-law Guatha Pitts of Lincoln; nine grandchildren Seth Sterling Pitts, Connor Thomas Pitts, Alec Morrow Pitts, Dustin Riley Simmons, Dalton Ryder Simmons, Trevor Keith Ezell, Tanner Cole Ezell, Kimberly Simmons Brown and Shane Ryan Simmons; three great grandchildren Braxton Gunter Brown, Braylon Allen Brown and Lennon Adeline Pitts.



APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Pitts family, we wish to express their gratitude for your many acts of kindness, and for your attendance at the funeral service.

Luginbuel Funeral Home

Prairie Grove, Arkansas

online guest book, visit www.luginbuel.com



Roger Morrow Pitts

May 26, 1938 - March 15, 2016

Corinthians 13:4-13

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears.

When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE & MEMORY OF

Roger Morrow Pitts

DATE, TIME & PLACE OF SERVICE

Friday, March 18, 2016 - 10:00 A.M.

Central United Methodist Church - Lincoln, Arkansas

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude Selections

Greeting Rev. Gary Lunsford
Pastor - Central United Methodist Church

Invocation

Prayer

"A Life That's Good"

Scripture Reading Rev. Gary Lunsford

Witness Alicia & Sarah

"Amazing Grace"

Obituary

Message Rev. Gary Lunsford

"The Lord's Prayer" Maurice Cluck

Benediction Rev. Gary Lunsford

Just A Farmer Plain and Simple Grandchildren

Family Memories Video
"A Good Man"
"Humble & Kind"
"Grandpa"

Postlude "When I Get Where I'm Going"

GRAVE SIDE SERVICES WILL NOT BE HELD AT THE CEMETERY. THE FAMILY WILL
VISIT WITH FRIENDS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL FOLLOWING THE SERVICE.

FINAL RESTING PLACE

Sugar Hill Cemetery

I'm just a farmer, plain and simple.
Not of royal birth, but rather a worker of the earth.
I know not of riches, but rather of patches on my britches.
I'm just a farmer, plain and simple.
I know of drought and rain, of pleasure and pain.
I know the good, the bad, the happy and the sad.
I'm a man of emotions.
A man who loves this land and the beauty of its sand.
I'm just a farmer, plain and simple.
I know the spring's fresh flow and autumn's golden glow.
Of a new born calf's hesitation and an eagle's destination.
I'm just a farmer, plain and simple.
I know of tall pines and long waiting lines.
I know the warmth of campfires and the agony of flat tires.
I'm just a farmer, plain and simple.
I'm a man who loves his job.
And the life that I live.
I'm just a farmer, plain and simple.
And I'm a reaper of harvest.
I'm the sower of seeds and I'm the tender of stock.
I'm just a farmer, plain and simple.
I know of planting corn and bailing hay and animals going astray.
I live in a complex world, but my faith guides me.
I'm just a farmer, plain and simple.
I am a man who works with God.
I cannot succeed without his help.
For you see, I'm just a farmer, plain and simple.
"I'm Just a Farmer, Plain and Simple"



PALLBEARERS

Seth Pitts - Connor Pitts
Dustin Simmons - Dalton Simmons
Trevor Ezell - Alec Pitts - Tanner Ezell

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Terry Simmons - Tracy Ezell
Curtis Griscom - Darren Wilhite
Jay Pitts - Ronnie Mileur - Shannon Burks

MEMORIALS

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