



Arthur Devereux

February 20, 2009

Mr. Arthur Louie Devereux age 87, formerly of both Widener and Forrest City, Arkansas, died on Friday, February 20, 2009 at the Willow Bend Nursing Home in Marion, Arkansas.

Mr. Devereux was born March 20, 1921 in the Newcastle Community. He was the son of Stephen Alfred and Hugh Ella Hamilton Devereux. He was the sixth of their seven children and was preceded in death by four sisters; Katherine Morgan, Louise Armstrong, Frances Harris and Elizabeth Smith and two brothers Hugh Devereux and Samuel Alfred Devereux all of St. Francis County.

Mr. Devereux is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Frances Eppes Devereux of the Willow Bend facility in Marion; two daughters, Amie Katherine Devereux and husband Lloyd "Buddy" Barnett of Widener, Fran Devereux Smith of Peyton, Colorado; a son, Arthur Louie Devereux Jr. of Cherry Valley, Arkansas; many grandchildren and many great grandchildren. Mr. Devereux is also survived by several much beloved nieces and nephews and many former riding students, his other children. His laughter will be missed.

Mr. Devereux was a graduate of Forrest City High School where he gained state recognition for his work in the Future Farmers of America. He attended Jonesboro State College in Jonesboro, Arkansas and served his country as a

Pharmacist Mate Petty Officer in the United States Navy during World War II. Mr. Devereux was a life long Methodist, a Sunday school youth teacher and My 4 sponsor at the Round Pond Methodist Church in Round Pond, Arkansas where he was Sunday School Superintendent and member of the board. He held membership in the Hughes Rotary Club and was a past president, the St. Francis County Farmers Association, past president and incorporating member, and a member of the Arkansas State Horse Show Association Board. Also the Farm Bureau, the N.E.C.A. Horseshow Association and worked with the Crowley Ridge Saddle Club. He was affiliated with several other horse related organizations and participated in the 1976 Bicentennial Wagon Train Pilgrimage.

Mr. Devereux was a planter, cattleman and horse trainer, originator of annual trail rides in the region and suggested the idea that his old swimming hole and surrounding area, Village Creek, might make a nice park.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday February 25, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Forrest City with burial to follow at Mt.Vernon Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 at the funeral home Tuesday. The family request memorials be made the First United Methodist Church Youth in Forrest City. Visit online registry at Stevensfuneralhome.net. Under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Condolences and love from our family.*

April 12, 2013 at 08:30 AM



“ *As a pre-teen and teen, I spent as almost as much time at the Devereux home as my own. Mr. Devereux always had a good story and a twinkle in his eye, a man that truly lived life to the fullest. He will be missed.*

April 12, 2013 at 08:30 AM



“ *Mrs. Francis, Amie, Louie and Fran, we were so sorry to hear of Mr. Arthur Louie's passing. He was never without his smile and laugh. God needed another great horse trainer. We will miss him very much. We looked forward to seeing him when we ran the meter route on Hiway 50. Our condolences to the family. W.D. & Linda Rice*

February 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Francis, Fran and Amie;
Sorry to hear about Uncle Art, he was one of the funniest men I have ever met. May God wrap his loving arms around you during this time. God Bless.*

February 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Family,

I am remembering Uncle Arthur here in Cambridge MA while you are in his memorial service at this hour. I have fond memories of my crazy uncle, including how you tell a city cowgirl from a country cowgirl (cannot write the answer here!) I send love to my long-lost Arkansas relatives and wish we were re-connecting in happier circumstances. I am trying to send a donation to the Methodist Youth but am having trouble finding it on this website... Will keep trying!

Love to you all --

Jackie ("Quick Mind") Davis

February 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *He was a very special man, and I know he will be greatly missed. My condolences to the family.*

February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *I was sorry to hear about Mr. Devereux's passing. Many years ago he trained my horse to pull a buggy for me. He was a fine horseman and gentleman. People and horses were better for knowing him.*

February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT MR.AUTHOR LOUIE. HE WAS SUCH A NICE MAN .I HAD THE PRIVIEGE OF KNOWING MOST OF HIS FAMILY . THEY WERE GREAT PEOPLE . TELL MRS. DEVEREUX HELLO AND GOD BLESS HER .IN CHRISTIAN LOVE PAULETTE CHISM MCGOWAN*

February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear about Mr. Aurther Louie, He will be missed greatly by all who knew him. Take comfort in the many memories you have of him, he was a wonderful man who I have memories of, from the time I was a toddler. Robyn Rhea Pipkin

February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ We have many wonderful memories of Authur Louie and his and our horse adventures together. He was someone that we looked up to. He was a wonderful person. We feel very lucky to have known him. (Robert) Lynn Frost and Becky Frost

February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM