



Bob D. Holland

January 6, 1924 - May 12, 2020

Bob D. Holland, age 96, of Forrest City, Arkansas, passed away on May 12, 2020, at the Woodruff County Health Center in McCrory, Arkansas. He was born on January 6, 1924, in Gentry, Arkansas, to his parents; Alvah Lee and Geneva Gertrude Maxson Holland.

Mr. Holland was loved and cherished by his family and friends. From early on he learned courage, discipline, and endurance. At the age of 6 years old, he contracted infantile paralysis/polio. Because of his illness and amazing courage and faith of his mother and a letter she wrote, he and his mother both began a unique relationship with First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt. He also spent time, off and on, with President Roosevelt when FDR visited the "Little White House" in Warm Springs, Georgia. FDR recuperated there and so did Mr. Holland.

Mr. Holland was a movie theater manager during the Golden Days of Hollywood. He had an immense knowledge and love of films, and he passed this along to others in his family who have somewhat carried the torch. He read voraciously and he also loved to laugh. He had a wonderful sense of humor, and he shared his sense of fun with all who knew him. He was an amazing storyteller too.

For over 30 years, Mr. Holland was a radio announcer and in radio sales at

stations KBRI in Brinkley, Arkansas and KXJK in Forrest City, Arkansas. He served on the board of the Water Department in Forrest City and was a member of the Kiwanis Club for many years. He was married to Billie Collins Terhune in 1972. He was a member of the First Baptist Church during his lifetime. He was blessed with many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was a wonderful Papa and had so much love for each and every one of them. He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Helen Holland Graham and three brothers; Hayden Holland, Don Holland, and his twin brother, Bill Holland.

Survivors include his wife of 48 years, Billie Collins Terhune Holland of McCrory, Arkansas, one daughter, Ginger Haydon (Robert I.) of Lee's Summit, Mo., Billie's three children; Eugene Terhune (Mora) of McCrory, Ar., Mike Terhune (Tammy) of Brinkley, Ar., Terri Ballard (Charles) of Holub Crossing, Ar. nine grandchildren, Robert Scott Haydon of Lee's Summit, Mo., Kelly Ruth Haydon of New York City, New York, Jason Terhune (Mandy), Haley Terhune Hedden (John), Johnna Terhune Jones (Steven), Jessica Terhune, Charles Ballard (Whitney), Sara Ballard Smith (Kyle), Brooke Ballard Thrift (Michael); thirteen great-grandchildren; Jace, Rylan, Cameron, Leo, Layla, Sadie, Michael, Jacob, Brylan, Charlotte, Hayden, Henley, William and a new great-granddaughter to arrive, Johnna Scout.

A graveside service will be announced at a later date. Stevens Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. You may log on to stevensfuneralhome.net for the online registry.

Cemetery Details

Forrest Park

Hwy 1 South
Forrest City, AR

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

MK

“ Bob was a great fellow and I was glad to know him. I enjoyed visiting with him when he stopped in from time to time at KXJK/KBFC Radio. I was always fascinated with the stories he told about knowing FDR and Eleanor Roosevelt. He served his community and loved his family and friends. May God be with Bob's family and friends at this time. -Mark Kumming, Pea Ridge, AR (News director at KXJK/KBFC Radio, 1990-2003.



Mark Kumming - June 19, 2020 at 02:43 PM

SH

“ In the early 70's I was driving home to California with my dog, Josey, and stopped by to visit Uncle Bob and Aunt Billie. We had a fun visit, lots of laughter and sharing. When it was time to leave, Uncle Bob walked me out to my VW, took out a handkerchief and cleaned the headlights. It was such a sweet gesture: he saw a need and cared enough to make sure I could see on my long drive home. I never forgot that.

Shirley Harris - May 17, 2020 at 01:33 PM

JS

“ Just heard of Bob's death. What a great guy. I remember many trips to the FC radio station and always enjoyed visiting with him. Heaven gained a great man. Condolences to such a large host of family and friends.

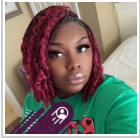
jerry shipley - May 16, 2020 at 06:25 PM

CD

“ I’m so very sorry for your loss Terry. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Christy Salley Davidson

Christy Salley Davidson - May 15, 2020 at 01:39 AM



“ Me and my family lived beside the Holland’s for years until we moved last year. They were just like family to us and we loved them so much. I called mr Holland “pawpaw” because he called me his grand daughter. I still can remember the last time we went to visit him and he told me he was going to get better and be home in week. He was an awesome and caring person and he will be missed.

Mydaisha Smith - May 14, 2020 at 06:57 PM