



Marvin Roberson

March 3, 1938 - January 20, 2023

Denny Marvin Roberson, known as Marvin by family and friends, lived a full and wonderful life for nearly 85 years. Marvin was born to Collin Denny Roberson and Virgie May Roberson on March 3, 1938 in Fairfax, Virginia. He graduated from Fairfax High School and then enlisted in the Army. While serving in the Army at Ft. Sill in Lawton, Oklahoma, he met his bride to be, Karen Hill. He and Karen were married on June 27, 1964 at Manassas Baptist Church where Marvin had been raised since he was an infant. They built a home together in Centreville, Virginia on the family farm land where they raised their two daughters, Natalie and Susan.

Marvin worked for Fairfax County for 30 years as a Maintenance Engineer throughout the school district. The last 10 years of his career he worked at Chantilly High School. Even after retirement, Marvin continued to work, serving as maintenance and custodial supervisor at Manassas Baptist Church and Centreville Baptist Church.

Marvin remained an active member of Manassas Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon, usher, on a variety of committees, and most notably as a greeter on Sunday mornings. He is well known for his hugs, handshakes, and smile!

Marvin was an avid bowler for many years, even bowling on as many as five

leagues a week in his retirement years. He and his wife Karen loved to travel and he enjoyed sharing stories about the special trips they made to Israel, Alaska, Hawaii and camping across the country when his daughters were young. He was a woodworker extraordinaire! Many friends and family members proudly display his beautiful creations in their homes. He built several furniture pieces, but his favorite woodworking was done through the art of intarsia. He was an avid fan of all Washington DC sports teams and was so thrilled when the Washington Nationals won the World Series in 2019.

Marvin was most passionate about his family. He loved his wife so very well even after her death in 2017. He was the absolute best daddy to his two daughters, Natalie and Susan and many of their friends considered him a “dad” to them as well. He was an awesome PePaw to Taylor, Ryan and Amanda and he loved them with all his heart and was extremely proud of each of them. He was deeply loved and will be deeply missed, but what an amazing legacy of faithfulness he has left for all who knew him.

Marvin's family will greet friends at Pierce Funeral Home (9609 Center Street, Manassas, Virginia 20110) from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM on Wednesday, January 25, 2023. A funeral service will be held for him at Manassas Baptist Church (8800 Sudley Road, Manassas, Virginia 20110) at 12:00 PM on Thursday, January 26, 2023. Burial will follow immediately after the funeral at Stonewall Memory Gardens (12004 Lee Highway, Manassas, Virginia 20109) at 2:00 PM on Thursday, January 26, 2023.

Donations can be made to Manassas Baptist Church in memory of Marvin Roberson.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **25**. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Funeral Service

JAN **26**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Manassas Baptist Church
8800 Sudley Road
Manassas, VA 20110

Burial

JAN **26**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Stonewall Memory Gardens
12004 Lee Highway
Manassas, VA 20109
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

Tribute Wall

KJ

“ I met Marvin at Bowl America many years ago. What I will miss most is seeing him sitting there as I walked off the lane when he would acknowledge a job well done or encourage you when you were disappointed. After reading his obituary I realized just how much I didn't know about him; his career and the love for his church. Of course we knew Karen had passed away a few years ago and it was obvious that this was a difficult time for him. I hope that his bowling and the many people who cared about him there provided some comfort during that time.

What I think is amazing is that regardless of his age and physical condition he still loved the intensity and competitive nature of the game enough to keep coming. I loved this about him. In a way he was sending all of us a message; keep going as long as you can. Thank you Marvin for sharing a part of you with all of us. We will miss seeing you but know you are in loving hands.

Kay and Jerry Jerard - January 25, 2023 at 10:34 AM

RS

“ I remember the stories and laughter Marvin and my late husband, Ron, shared on Sunday mornings in the church office when I was employed there. These two army veterans had a lot to share! Marvin loved the woodworking commissions and I think his favorite was when commissioned to make a nativity scene. What a faithful, precious soul that has graduated earth to God's Kingdom! I will be praying for all who are missing him. - Ruth Sanders

Ruth Sanders - January 25, 2023 at 08:23 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marvin Roberson.*



January 23, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ *Marvin was a wonderful, gentle, caring man. I always looked forward to a hug as he welcomed people to church on Sunday mornings. He was so proud of his family and did such amazing woodwork. I know he will be missed, but he's reunited with his beloved Karen and they are beaming at their beautiful daughters, family and friends from Heaven. His was a life well lived.*

Glenna Ohlms - January 23, 2023 at 04:03 PM



“ *I have fond memories of Marvin, He shared a birthday with one of granddaughters. We always shared a hug on Sunday mornings at Manassas Baptist. I missed those hugs after we moved to Richmond. RIP my friend and say hello to your dear wife who I also miss. I do have a reminder from her everyday with the quilt that she had made for me.*

Diane Melson - January 23, 2023 at 03:05 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Marvin Roberson.*



January 23, 2023 at 12:35 PM

RC

“ He was a very good friend will him he checked up on me after my stroke several times. He and I use to play horse shoes and our families enjoyed camping together. We both attended Manassas Baptist Church we had great times together.

Ralph Crouch - January 23, 2023 at 11:10 AM