



Theodore Pratt III

November 30, 1949 - January 28, 2026

Theodore Pratt III (aka Ted, Teddy, Bee man, to his friends and family) passed away from natural causes on January 28, 2026, in his home in Manassas, VA.

Ted was survived by his brother, Stephen Pratt; his sisters, Katherine Pratt and Laurian Fasano; a nephew and three nieces whom he loved and adored.

Ted was a Vietnam vet (Air Force) and a retired beekeeper. A bear took out the last of his hives several years ago, giving him that final push toward retirement, so none of his bees survived him.

Above all, Ted always wanted everyone to know this:

"I found our Lord in the Catholic Church and it changed my life, at the age of 65."

A visitation will be held on Monday, February 16, 2026 from 6-8 PM at Pierce Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 8213 Linton Hall Road, Gainesville, VA on Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 1:30 PM

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **16**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB **17**. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
8213 Linton Hall Road
Gainesville, VA 20155
<http://holytrinityparish.net/>

Tribute Wall

KA

“ We will miss Ted greatly! Though we didn't speak a whole lot over the past few years, he kept in touch via email about church events or other ones that he thought we might like. He was a thoughtful beautiful man and always had a chuckle and a smile when we saw him. We are also very happy that he found God our Father before he went Home to be with Him. Side note to Ted directly..... Say "Hi" to Big Al for us Ted!! Rest In Peace, Friend.

Karl, Shelly & Kristin (Josh)

Karl - February 16 at 11:34 PM

TD

“ We have enjoyed Ted's friendship over the years. From the memories of his bees to hay making. He carried on the tradition of delivering honey and candy every year at Christmas. Ted will be missed.

Terry, Tina and William Davis

Terry Davis - February 16 at 07:53 PM

BC

“ 47 years of friendship! ... so many wonderful memories ... our joy when he discovered his beekeeping vocation ... our thankfulness when he finally found the spiritual enlightenment with its transcendent, everlasting peace and comfort he had been searching for ... every time we see a honey bee sipping nectar from our flowers, we will think of Ted and his delicious dark honey. Barbara & Tom Chaplin



Barbara & Tom Chaplin - February 09 at 01:53 PM

KE

“ 3 files added to the album Ted the beekeeper



Karla Eisen - February 08 at 12:04 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Theodore Pratt III.



February 05 at 03:16 PM

MJ

“ Mike and Barb Janay purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Theodore Pratt III.



Mike and Barb Janay - February 04 at 07:30 AM

JL

“ I've known Ted for what seems like a long time now. We met at the Holy Trinity Saturday morning Men's group and also ushered together frequently. He could always be counted on to be there and pitch in when needed. I always had the early mass and we'd meet at the diner after my shift and before his. He will be genuinely missed.

Joe Lyon - February 03 at 10:10 PM

PE

“ Ted's passing has hit the usher ministry at Holy Trinity very hard. He was a great example of a giving heart. We served at both the 9:30 and 11 am Masses on Sunday and when we rolled our eyes at each other over something funny someone would say, he would say " they need more grass fed beef in their lives" I was amazed at the various languages he could easily converse in...he was just fluid with them. Ted was so proud of his finding Catholicism and was always sharing his devotion to his faith. The man was just hysterical to talk to. The life he had lived was so rich in good memories for him. I am forever thankful that I got to know him and even more so call him my friend. Rest in peace, Ted. God will be thrilled to have another angel!! God bless you, Ted!!

Pamela Edwards

Pamela Edwards - February 03 at 04:17 PM

JO

Ted will be missed. He was a very charitable person his Egyptian ancestry was fascinating. He embraced his faith like few others.

JP O'Mara - February 03 at 10:26 PM

AM

“*Ted has been a long time regular customer of mine at the Gainesville Diner. Every Sunday without fail he would arrive and have his breakfast and coffee before church. He was not only a customer but a friend who always had time to listen. He had the most caring heart and his faith was unwavering. I will miss him.*”

Amy Munday - February 02 at 12:23 PM

TF

“*He was a fun, gentle, smart, happy person. Me and my family will miss him so much. He was always there for the 9:30am mass at the door greeting people with a smile. My girls always loved to see him there. We want to remember him and the doorkeeper for our church.* 🌺

The Jolly family - February 02 at 10:59 AM

RS

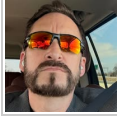
What a precious soul ! Ted so loved sharing good news and his favorite was his deep faith. I am praying comfort for all who knew and cared for Ted.

Ruth Sanders - February 02 at 12:23 PM

SK

Ted was such a good, good man. He noticed that my teenage son liked to stand in the back at Mass and help the ushers. Ted completely took my son under his wing, trained him, and asked him if he wanted to be an official usher. When someone is kind to your child and includes them, that is something you never forget. We will miss Ted immensely.

Stephanie Kenneally - February 02 at 02:07 PM



God speed Ted. We will miss you!

Rich Schucker - February 03 at 07:58 PM

RB

Ted, was a man who always had a smile on his face and joy in his heart. He was joyful in finding the faith as he came into the faith late in life like myself. But unlike me he was an example of "Love is kind". He showed this in his service at church. He was a veteran like myself so we hit it off well and he was always great with my boys and family. My family will really miss him. I met Ted as an Usher and he used to sell me honey. That was the start of a friendship. Last year I starting getting into bees like Ted and he was a mentor and friend. God bless you and keep you my friend and thanks for helping me get started in Bees. We are praying as a family for you my friend. I am sorry you are gone for now... God Speed. Sincerely Robert Bartlett Ret SSG , Jordan, Liam, Aiden, and Finn

Robert Bartlett - February 04 at 03:18 PM

DT

We met Ted while Debbie was attending RCIA. His kindness and ready smile sparkle in happy memory. What a terrific guy. Requiem in pace.

Dan Thompson - February 12 at 11:24 AM