



Mr. James Arvel Pettit

May 16, 1935 - May 6, 2024

James Arvel Pettit, 88, husband of Jerlyne Long Pettit, of West Union, passed away on Monday, May 6, 2024, at his home.

Born in Anderson, SC, Mr. Pettit was the son of the late Arvel Buren and Mabelle Crocker Pettit. He was a United States Navy veteran and retired from Sangamo, where he was a tool and dye operator. Mr. Pettit was a member of Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church and was a born again believer.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Pettit is survived by his sons: James Pettit (Maxine) and John Pettit, both of West Union; grandchildren: Brooke Patterson (Matt), Jena Kerr (Jeremy), Kayla Saski (Matt), Nicholas Pettit, Emily Pettit, Jarrod Pettit, and Tara Childs; and great-grandchildren: Claire Patterson, Alayna Saski, Chase Saski, and Ana Young.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Pettit was preceded in death by his siblings: Leland Pettit, Mary Braddock, Frances Quarles, Betty Jo Moore, Rilla Stancil, and Remel Oliver.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at Heritage Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church

Mission Fund, PO Box 892, Walhalla, SC 29691.

The family will be at their respective homes.

Cemetery Details

Heritage Memorial Gardens

4500 South Highway 11
Westminster, SC 29693

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Westminster, SC 29693

Tribute Wall

SH

“ Steve Hanvey lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Steve Hanvey - May 13, 2024 at 08:29 AM

SM

“ Sharon Martin lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Sharon Martin - May 09, 2024 at 11:55 PM



“ I thought the world of Mr. Arvel!❤️
I so enjoyed my time working with him at WMS. Heaven gained a wonderful, Godly man!



Denise Pearson - May 09, 2024 at 11:33 AM

WB

“ Wayne F. & Wanda Barton lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Wayne F. & Wanda Barton - May 09, 2024 at 11:21 AM

LJ

“ My Uncle Arvel was always very sweet to me. I worked at Itron with him, and he always brightened my day with his kindness and smile. John, James, Maxine and children, my prayers are with you during this time. Love you all

Lita and Kris Justujs - May 09, 2024 at 03:32 AM

RW

“ RL Wilson lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



RL Wilson - May 08, 2024 at 02:44 PM

DP

“ I thought the world of this wonderful man!❤️
He was a special man and I so enjoyed working with him at WMS.
Heaven gained a good and Godly man.

Denise Pearson - May 08, 2024 at 01:08 PM

FO

“ Faye Owens lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Faye Owens - May 08, 2024 at 11:14 AM

JL

“ *Jerrie Bell Lusk lit a candle in memory of James Pettit*



Jerrie Bell Lusk - May 08, 2024 at 09:25 AM

KH

“ *Karen Harmon lit a candle in memory of James Pettit*



Karen Harmon - May 08, 2024 at 07:52 AM

BO

“ *Arvel was a fine man, loved by everyone who knew him. We had some very good times at Mel's house years ago as Arvel would visit often along with everyone else. The good memories are all we have now but we can be certain that Arvel is at peach and he is truly enjoying his new eternal home. Arvel enjoyed life, loved his family and he had a positive impact in this old world! He will be missed greatly.*

Bryan K Oliver - May 08, 2024 at 12:18 AM

AA

“ *Alton Kathy Alexander lit a candle in memory of James Pettit*



Alton Kathy Alexander - May 07, 2024 at 10:53 PM

TS

“ Trent Smith lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Trent Smith - May 07, 2024 at 10:09 PM

CM

“ Mr. Arvel was one of the finest gentlemen I worked with. His honesty, down to earth genuine faith, friendly demeanor, and true friendship helped me thru a lot of trying situations at WMS. The pair of him and Fred Gregg had our building always in tip-top shape, and I could always count on them when we needed something. I still have the handmade candy/gum dispenser that he gifted me. Always a true friend. Rest easy Mr. Arvel

Chuck Middleton - May 07, 2024 at 08:50 PM

AV

“ To the pettit family, please except are deepest sympathies, upon the death of your father.
Andy & Jean Vitti

Andrew Vitti - May 07, 2024 at 07:49 PM

PA

“ Philip Addis lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Philip Addis - May 07, 2024 at 07:42 PM

SR

“ Steve Reid lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Steve Reid - May 07, 2024 at 06:47 PM

KA

“ Kathy Addis lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Kathy Addis - May 07, 2024 at 06:37 PM

MS

“ Mike Roach & Sherry sent a virtual gift in memory of James Pettit



Mike Roach & Sherry - May 07, 2024 at 05:46 PM

MR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mike Roach - May 07, 2024 at 05:45 PM

DE

“ We loved Mr. Arvel at Walhalla Middle School. It was a retirement job for him but he quickly became a part of our family there. He was such a kind, good man. He shared his delicious fried turkey with us at Thanksgiving and he gave us things from his garden. My beautiful peony blooming in the yard is from his yard. I am so sorry about his passing, but I will see this brother in Christ again!



Dianne England - May 07, 2024 at 03:52 PM

MP

Thank you Dianne. He loved all of you at WMS and spoke of you all often. He also loved every child he came in contact with there. Many children would come to him for advice and snack money. He would cry when telling us unfortunate stories about children who touched his heart.

Maxine Pettit - May 08, 2024 at 06:03 AM

JS

“ Arvel was a nice man. worked around him at sangamo.



Judy and Gary Shook - May 07, 2024 at 02:54 PM

SS

“ Shannon Stuart lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Shannon Stuart - May 07, 2024 at 02:14 PM

BG

“ Betty Grant lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Betty Grant - May 07, 2024 at 12:53 PM

OE

“ OMH Facilities Engineering planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. James Arvel Pettit.

OMH Facilities Engineering - May 07, 2024 at 09:25 AM

OE

“ OMH Facilities Engineering purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. James Arvel Pettit.



OMH Facilities Engineering - May 07, 2024 at 09:25 AM

TO

“ Tammy Oliver lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Tammy Oliver - May 07, 2024 at 09:00 AM

FB

“ Fred Ball lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Fred Ball - May 07, 2024 at 07:43 AM

TT

“ Tim & Ginger Thomas lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Tim & Ginger Thomas - May 07, 2024 at 07:20 AM

JS

“ John Snead lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



John Snead - May 07, 2024 at 06:21 AM

BR

“ Barbara Roach lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Barbara Roach - May 06, 2024 at 11:49 PM

W(

“ Warren Smith (Shag) lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Warren Smith (Shag) - May 06, 2024 at 10:49 PM

BH

“ Bill Hanvey lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Bill Hanvey - May 06, 2024 at 10:18 PM

JN

“ Joyce Nix lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Joyce Nix - May 06, 2024 at 10:08 PM

TC

“ It's so hard to find the words to express how blessed we were to know Mr. Pettit. We are honored to have known him and y'all, his family, and we look forward to spending an eternity with him. Thank you, Lord, for Your promises that give us enduring hope. May God's peace fill you as you say goodbye for a little while. Blessings!

Tammy Caulder - May 06, 2024 at 10:06 PM

JL

“ *Jess&Marcella Langston lit a candle in memory of James Pettit*



Jess&Marcella Langston - May 06, 2024 at 09:41 PM

DS

“ *Dave & Donna Stephens lit a candle in memory of James Pettit*



Dave & Donna Stephens - May 06, 2024 at 06:40 PM

LB

“ *Larry and Pamela Ball lit a candle in memory of James Pettit*



Larry and Pamela Ball - May 06, 2024 at 05:46 PM

BL

“ *Burgess (Bird) Laye lit a candle in memory of James Pettit*



Burgess (Bird) Laye - May 06, 2024 at 05:34 PM

JL

“ *Joyce S. Lusk lit a candle in memory of James Pettit*



Joyce S. Lusk - May 06, 2024 at 05:09 PM

RC

“ *Ray Cobb lit a candle in memory of James Pettit*



Ray Cobb - May 06, 2024 at 05:05 PM

LL

“ *Leonard Loudermilk sent a virtual gift in memory of James Pettit*



Leonard Loudermilk - May 06, 2024 at 04:41 PM

LL

“ *Jerlyne, James, John and family. I am so sorry to hear of Ariel's passing. I have know him since I was a teenager and he was always the same and I liked that. We will miss him at Church but he is in the arms of Jesus his Savior and out of pain. We love you all and will be in our prayers during this sad time*

Leonard Loudermilk - May 06, 2024 at 04:39 PM

RR

“ Rod Reid lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



Rod Reid - May 06, 2024 at 03:54 PM

SH

“ Prayers for the family 🙏 Steve & Debbie



Steve Harvey - May 06, 2024 at 03:43 PM

JB

“ joyce brewer lit a candle in memory of James Pettit



joyce brewer - May 06, 2024 at 03:27 PM

IR

“ Dink&Iris Duncan lit a candle for Mr.James Arvel Petit



irisduncan - May 06, 2024 at 03:05 PM

RH

“ *Rickey Holden lit a candle in memory of James Pettit*



Rickey Holden - May 06, 2024 at 02:39 PM