



## Robert E. "Bob" Deneke

May 6, 2013

Robert E. ❖Bob❖ Deneke, 84, a resident of Jackson, MO died Monday, May 6, 2013 at his home surrounded by family. He was born March 28, 1929 in Cape Girardeau to the late Elmer and Lillian (Lufcy) Deneke. Bob was a graduate of Sikeston High School where he was inducted into the football hall of fame. He graduated from the University of Missouri Columbia where he played football and also played in the Gator Bowl in 1949. Bob worked in management for the Pontiac Motor Division for 27 years and was a member of Grace United Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Merle (Gosling) Deneke of Jackson; children, Laura Deneke Green (Randall) of Boca Raton, FL, Robert E. Deneke, Jr. (Pam) of Cape Girardeau, MO and Karel Deneke Arnett (John) of Nortonville, KY; eight grandchildren, Jason Green, Karl Green (Megan), Kohl, Zayne, Drew and Mackinsey Arnett, Sydney and Cera Deneke; three great-grandchildren, Aeva, Aidan and Patrick Green. He was preceded in death by his sister, Betty Deneke Summers. Visitation will be Friday, May 10, 2013 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home. Funeral service will be Saturday, May 11, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Tom Sullenger officiating. Burial will follow at Cape County Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers please make memorial contributions to Southeast Hospice or Grace United Methodist Church.

# Tribute Wall

PR

“ Thinking of you during this difficult time. Bob was always such a gentleman and a great person. His priority in life was his wife, children and grandchildren. He will be missed. May your many wonderful memories, sustain you at this time and for years to come!

Phil and Priscilla Robinson - October 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Merle and Family, So sorry to hear about the loss of Bob. I have fond memories of you and him at many family events through the years. He was always such a nice man. Thinking of you all as you celebrate his life. Peace be with you.

Mike and Shannon Beck - October 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Dear Merle and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I am keeping you in my prayers . Love to you.

Anastasia Gonzales - October 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ the family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Shirley Linson - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Karel and Family, I don't know what to say to you except I think know how you are feeling having lost my dad just 2 weeks ago to cancer and he and my mom were also married for 52 years. I am so sorry and I'm praying for your mom and your family. I am thinking of you more than you know. Janice

Janice Miller SeEVERS - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Mr. Deneke was such a fun guy and I (Judy) have the fondest memories of him during my high school years. Taking a ride in an airplane has never been as fun as when he was the pilot! I know you all will miss him very much.

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**Kerry and Judy Lane** - August 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Bob -- A good & steady man, with a sense of adventure. He gave us good memories.

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**John & Jane willsey** - August 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Karel & family- We are so sorry for your loss. We will be praying for comfort and strength for you and your family.

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**Dave, Allison & Mary Grace Starks** - August 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Merle and family, Words can't express how sorry I am to hear of Bob's passing; however, I'm sure he's in a much better place than he had been here for the last several years. I remember him fondly as Mr. Deneke, one of the nicest and most generous men that I have known. You were my favorite babysitting job not only because I loved your kids, but because Bob paid so well! He was a great friend to both my parents and my brother and his wife for as long as I can remember and he will be missed. Merle, I wish you and your family the best and hope that fond memories will fill the coming days. Love, Julie

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**Julie Criss** - August 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ Merle - Please accept my sympathy in the loss of your dear husband, Bob. May the Lord wrap His loving arms around you during this time of sorrow.

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**Nancy Thornton** - August 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Bob was a wonderful man. I'm so sorry that I never had the chance to get to know him better. Over the many years with the annual trips to Puxico, I always admired Bob's congenial demeanor. Please accept my sincere condolences on your loss.

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**Doug and Kim May** - August 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ Merle, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May your memories fill you with peace and comfort until that great day that brings you together again. Your friend, Marcy Abernathy

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**Marcy Abernathy** - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss and our loss in the neighborhood. Bob always had a smile on his face and he definitely will be missed. We are here if you need anything. God Bless you and your family. We will see you soon.

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**Harold & Marcia Stone** - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Dear Merle and Family, We were sadden by the news of your husband's passing. You and your family our in our thoughts and prayers. We pray that you will get strength and feel the love of others to get you though this difficult time. God's blessings! Your friends, Pat & Allen Leech

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**Patricia Leech** - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Sorry to hear about your dad! Just wanted you to know that we are thinking of you and you are in our prayers!!

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**Darlene Duncan** - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Dear Deneke Family, May you find comfort in the love you shared with your father. You are in my prayers.

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**Kim Hardesty** - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Deneke's/Arnett's--Just wanted to let you know I am praying for each of you. Mr. Deneke was such a great father and I have many fond memories of being with your family!

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**Kim (Brockman) Harlan** - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Deneke Family, We are very sorry for your loss. May God grant you peace at this most difficult time. Our prayers are with you always.

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**Doug & Maureen Berning** - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Karel and Family, May you find comfort and strength in knowing that others care and share your concerns. Thinking of you --

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**Lisa Baker** - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ Dear Merle and Family, I am so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. I will always treasure the many fond memories of our time together at Pontiac and your visits to the farm. You are in my thoughts and prayers. God's Blessings to you and your family. Love, Dee Vitt

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**Dee Vitt** - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ Merle, I was so sorry to hear of the death of your husband. You have my deepest sympathy and that of everyone on the Berry-Glenn Historical Museum Board. Our prayers are with you and your family.

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**Bonnie Johns Taylor** - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM