



Eric "Bood" J. Holden

March 22, 1924 - November 16, 2008

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To know Bood was to know an avid coon hunter and deer hunter. He was the greatest husband, daddy, grandfather, brother and friend anyone would ever desire. Age 84 and a lifelong resident of Holden, La, Bood lost his life Sunday, November 16, 2008 as the result of an automobile-train collision. As a United States Marine, he served in WWII receiving the Purple Heart along with many other metals.

His loving wife of 59 years, Helen Forrest Holden, survives him along with their three sons, Raymond Holden and wife Bella, Tim Holden and wife Sheila, and Craig Holden. He leaves behind 4 grandsons, Eric, Adrian, Cody and Matthew Holden and one granddaughter, Casey Holden. Two siblings also survive him, Gene and wife Elaine and Van and wife Helen.

Preceding Bood in death are his parents and twelve siblings.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home on Wednesday, November 19th at 10:00 a.m. The family requests that visiting hours be observed Tuesday, November 18th beginning at 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. until the service time. Rev Jessie Tate will officiate the services assisted by Rev. Jeff Hathorn and Rev. Jimmy Sasser. Interment will follow at Hutchinson Cemetery in Albany.

Condolences and other information available online at www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond.

Tribute Wall



“ Raymond, Bella, and Eric (spouse),
We just want you to know that our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. We know what you are going through and we will keep you all in our prayers.

John and Congetta Polito, John, Jr., Mary, Mike, and Patti and families.##imported-begin##Carlee F. Dupuy##imported-end##

November 21, 2008 at 08:41 AM



“ ##imported-begin##Mary Polito Spencer##imported-end##

November 19, 2008 at 03:48 PM



“ Although Mr. Eric only became a pt of ours a short time ago, I have known he and Mrs. Helen alot longer. holdon Is a very small town and when people as grand as the Holden's live there you can't help to notice and admire them. Mr. Eric never came In with a bad attitude or even grumpy when he was very sick and had to be put In the hospital. He was so sweet and he will never be forgotten but he will always be missed. Most of all he I'll always have my fondest memories of him coming In just being himself with his overalls on just a precious soul. Rest In Peace Mr. Eric.##imported-begin##Kristie Tate Steadman##imported-end##

November 19, 2008 at 11:14 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Holden family during this difficult time. We can only imagine the celebrations and joyous reunions in Heaven.

May you take comfort in knowing an angel is watching over you.

*Tana Bishop Haass
(Iris and Bob Bishop's daughter)##imported-begin##Belinda Pizzolato##imported-end##*

November 19, 2008 at 09:17 AM



“ Craig & family - may God hold you in the palm of his hand during this incredibly difficult time. I have only my prayers and friendship to offer you, but know that they are yours.

Neil, Mary, Kyle & Riley##imported-begin##Tana Bishop Haass##imported-end##

November 18, 2008 at 08:17 PM



“ I send my deepest sympathies to the family. Especially to you, Mrs. Holden, my favorite librarian, I will be praying for you in this tragic loss.

(Mrs. Geneva James' granddaughter, Kellie)##imported-begin##Mary Stebbing##imported-end##

November 18, 2008 at 02:42 PM



“ Our sympathy goes out to you and the family. May God keep you and give you peace.

*Family of Iris Bishop##imported-begin##Kellie Morse
Martin##imported-end##*

November 18, 2008 at 02:27 PM



“ Words can't describe what a loss this is to our family. He was such a special person to us and so many people. It seems he was "Uncle" Bood to everyone we knew and those we met. Where ever we go, if someone finds out you're a Holden, they immediately ask "Do you know Bood?"

*Ever since I was a little girl, I always loved being in the room with Uncle Bood. In every visit at his house, our house or anywhere else, at least one story of growing up in "the good old days" on Hog Branch was told. With so many brothers and sisters, the stories were endless. I loved hearing him, Daddy, Van, Iris, Allie, and Warren tell stories of growing up and the family members I never had the pleasure to know. Clay and Peyton will never forget their "field trips" with PawPaw Gene to "Unca Boots" house to play with the dogs, pet goats, and also listen to his stories. I'll never forget his big smile and most of all his big heart. God's love and time will get the Holden family through the sadness, but we will never get over missing him.##imported-begin##Richard & Georgiana
Bishop##imported-end##*

November 18, 2008 at 01:19 PM



“ Raymond & Family:
My prayers are with you and your family. I regret that I am out of town and will not be able to attend the services. I will keep you in my thoughts.##imported-begin##Lori Holden Parker##imported-end##

November 18, 2008 at 12:31 PM



“ ##imported-begin##Alan Crnko##imported-end##

November 18, 2008 at 11:59 AM



“ Craig,
Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Mary, Katie, and I are sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Eric and Sybil Monday##imported-end##

November 18, 2008 at 11:45 AM



“ We will forever be grateful for the years of friendship Bood had with my brother, Morris Jr. It was a daily routine to see Bood, his pickup, & yes overalls coming up the road to visit. Helen, our thoughts are with you. He was a loyal friend to many. There will be a lot of tall tales being told in Heaven today with his buddies!!##imported-begin##Greg Noel##imported-end##

November 18, 2008 at 09:11 AM



“ ##imported-begin##Elmer & Georgia Ann Lavigne Mitchell##imported-end##

November 18, 2008 at 08:46 AM