



Jack Oakes

March 2, 1927 - December 28, 2012

Jack Odean Oakes, age 85, of Rogers, AR, formerly from Waldron, Arkansas went to be with his Lord and Savior on December 28, 2012. He had been admitted to Northwest Hospital in Bentonville, Arkansas where he later departed due to heart and lung complications.

Jack was born March 3, 1927 in Cauthron, (Morgan Springs) AR to William Ragon and Verna Vise-Oakes. He had two siblings, Ronald Lee Oakes of Rancho Cordova, California and Patricia Ann Sampson of Waldron. Jack attended schools in both Los Angeles, California at John H. Francis Polytechnic High School and later attended and graduated from Waldron High School. Jack met and married the love of his life Thelma Louise Hunt on December 31, 1971. Jack was a retired Merchant Seaman, truck driver, Security Guard, School Bus Driver, and farmer. He loved to talk about his times traveling the world as a Merchant Seaman. During his maritime service he circumnavigated the world twice and visited nearly every major port of call in the world. He loved to tell of his travels and discoveries from these distant lands. Jack entered into the maritime service just before the end of World War II during the liberation of the Philippines. Jack took part in providing supplies to include oil for the war effort in the Pacific Theatre. He would later receive veteran status for his contributions in World War II. Jack was later drafted into military service as a private first class in the Korean War where he served in the 1st Calvary Division and was the main gunner on a half track. Jack's

hobbies included being with his family and friends, fishing, and his love of reading and traveling.

Jack is preceded in death by his mother, Verna; father, Ragon; brother Ron; and his sister Pat.

Jack is survived by his wife, Louise, of Rogers, Arkansas; a step-son Ronald Joe Isenhower, and his wife Monika, of Fayetteville, AR; Michael Ragon Oakes of Rogers; and Bryan Dean Oakes, of Fayetteville. He had six grandchildren: Cassandra Jo Isenhower; Julie Amanda Isenhower; Jessica Nicole Isenhower; Kyle Austin Oakes; Ryan Jackson Oakes; and Hannah Renee Oakes and three nephews and one niece and many beloved cousins.

Jack's life celebration service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 2, 2012 at the Cauthron Methodist Church with Reverend Jack Smith, officiating. Interment will follow in the Kirk Cemetery in Cauthron, Arkansas with military honors. Arrangements are being entrusted to the Heritage Memorial Funeral Home & Crematory in Waldron, Arkansas.

Jack's pallbearers will be Cody Carpenter, Jason Daggs, Kirk Dedmon, Scott Thompson, Eric Thompson, and David Gardner. Honorary pallbearers will be Kyle Austin Oakes, and Ryan Jackson Oakes.

Jack's visitation will be Tuesday, January 1, 2012 from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Heritage Memorial Funeral Home where his family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m..

Jack often remarked about how fortunate he was to have lived in the times that he did and to be able to look back over his life and see the amount and the rate of change that occurred and he did feel most fortunate to be able to live to see those advancements.

Tribute Wall

PG

“ Dear Family, So sorry just now learned about Jack Odean, a kind and gracious man. My thoughts and prayers are with you.
Paulette & Charlie

Paulette Goble - January 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ Dear Louise, Michael and Bryan

Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you.

Cliff and Velma

Cliff and Velma Oakes - January 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Hi Louise; so sorry to hear of your great loss. If ther is anything we can do just let us know. Give my sympathy to your family as well./
Love ya Betty

Betty Fleming - January 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ LOUISE, SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT JACK ! PRAYERS ARE
WITH YOU !!!!

connie and milton(slick) sherrill - January 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family at this time. I'm so sorry we were not able to make the trip for the funeral, but we were there in spirit. Jack is now at home with God and has no hurts or pains. We love all of you...just know we are so very sorry for your loss.

Ron and Barbara Jennings - January 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VM

“ I am so sorry to hear about Jack; Louise. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless You!

Vicki Mason - January 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Michael, Bryan and Family: I am sorry for the loss of your father. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Courtney Tallmadge Johnson - January 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ I am so sorry to hear of Jack's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Teresa Houston Culpepper - January 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Oakes Family, Always enjoyed talking to Mr. Oakes on the Phone. May God give you comfort.

Mitch Crotts - January 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Louise, we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Robert&Linda Jett - January 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ so sorry to hear the passing of jack my thoughts and prayers are with the wonderful family.

Gaile Hainley - December 31, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ louise we were sorry to hear of jacks passing away you and the boys and families are in our prayers and thoughts god bless you all

kenneth,janet,jeremy and nathan hunt - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Oaks Family,
Jack was a man of convictions and deep faith in a Creator. He loved all of you. I keep as a treasure memories of Cauthron United Methodist Sundays with Jack and you. May God's peace and strength fill you today and always.

Cindy Franklin - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ May God be with the family during this time of loss of a love one

Bessie Thompson - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all. God bless and comfort you in your time of loss.

Bobby Bottoms - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ So sorry to hear of Jack passing away. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time of sorrow.

Debbie Sparks - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ I was so sorry to hear of Jack's passing. Thinking of you all. Ann

Ann Bingham - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Louis, Mike, Ronnie, and Bryan...Thinking of you all at this sad time. May the wonderful memories of your husband/father live on in your hearts and may peace be with each of you...

Sandy Washburn - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Michael...so sorry to hear about your loss. It's never easy but it is a comfort to know that our loved ones are now in the presence of God. May He wrap His arms of comfort around you and your family during this difficult time.

Toni (Garzini) Van De Wiele - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Rest in peace.

Kim (Fosnaugh) Defoor - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM