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Norman Charles Curtis of Decatur passed away August 6 after several years of battling with cancer. Norm was born March 4, 1925 to Charles Martin Curtis and Fannie Mae Roberts Curtis in Festus, Mo. He was the valedictorian of his class at Festus High School, but had already departed to join the U.S. Marines in defending our country in the South Pacific theater of World War II. Norman married Evelyn Colleen Bloomer on August 23, 1945, a marriage lasting nearly 64 years. He was preceded in death by his parents and 3 younger brothers, Warren, Wayne, and Stanley. Norm is survived by his wife Colleen, 3 sons, and a daughter; Norm Jr. of Decatur, Jim of Boiling Springs, NC, Candace Butts of Assumption, and Brian of Springfield. He is Grandfather to 8 children and Great-grandfather to 6.

Norm spent his entire working life as an employee of PPG Industries, starting his career in 1946 in Crystal City, MO, moving to Cumberland, MD in 1956 and finally settling at the Mt. Zion plant in 1965. He retired in 1988 after serving a number of years as the Director of Human Resources. Norm was respected at PPG as a man of honor and integrity and he touched the lives of many co-workers during his tenure. He helped to launch the careers of many young professionals with his approachable manner and wise counsel.

Norman and Colleen are members of the South Shores United Methodist Church and have provided a great deal of support to their church over the years, including keeping the church accounting records, paying the bills, handling the mail, assisting with maintenance, and making sure there was always something thought provoking on the church sign out by the road. They both also have been big supporters of the Macon County Historical Society. Norm spent many hours assisting with the relocation and reconstruction of the courthouse where Abe Lincoln first performed as a sitting judge.

The family would like to express their thanks to Dr. Mario Velasco and Dr. Edward



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Elliott, and to the St. Johns Hospice team for their care and compassion during Norm's time of need.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 6 pm, Sunday, August 9, 2009 in Moran & Goebel Funeral Home. Funeral will be 12 noon Monday, August 10, 2009 in South Shores United Methodist Church. Burial will take place in Macon County Memorial Park, with military rites by the Macon County Honor Guard. Memorials may be made to the church or God's Shelter of Love.

The family of Norman C. Curtis is being served by the Moran & Goebel Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2801 N. Monroe St. Decatur, IL.



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FE

Felicia posted:

My sympathy to this family. You do not know me as I do not know you. I am Normans brother Wayne"s daughter. I never knew any of my dads side of the family, May he rest in peace. FeliciaSaint Louis, MO USAalikat1362@yahoo.com

February 4 at 4:20 AM

RS

Robin Baker Snelson posted:

Candy-I wanted to wish you and your family God's grace as you mourn the loss of your dad. I always thought of you as friend.I hope you all find peace. Plano, TX US

August 26 at 7:00 PM

JR

Jan & Carl De Riseis !! posted:

Dear Colleen:We are saddened to hear of Norm's passing. We extend to you and your family our deep and heartfelt sympathy. Norm will always remain with us as we will never forget the great years that he was my "Boss"!! Fond memories live on forever....!!With Love & Prayers,JAN & CARL MARCO ISLAND, FL USA

August 21 at 7:00 PM

MM

Mike And Mary Lou Maloni posted:

Norm & Jo,We are so sorry to hear of your loss. We are keeping all of you in our prayers.Mike, Mary Lou and Bridget Maloni Arlington Heights, IL US

August 12 at 7:00 PM

LW

Lou Ann Wubben posted:

I am sorry to hear of your loss of Norm. My sincere condolences to you and your family. Chestnut, IL US

August 12 at 7:00 PM



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CH

Charles posted:

After reading all the glowing letters from Norm's family and friends, we regret not getting to know Jim's dad! We had heard some stories but we're sure he had plenty more along with a great sense of humor. Our hearts go out to Jim and Beth and Jim's family as we all have lost a hero from the "greatest generation." We Thank him for his legacy and his service. Boiling Springs, NC US

August 10 at 7:00 PM

MC

Matt, Dawn, Riley, Owen, And Quinn Curtis posted:

Grandma, we've been thinking of you and saying many prayers especially over this last week. Grandpa was such a wonderful man and one of Matt's idols. I am sorry that we aren't there in person today to help celebrate the wonderful life that he led, but we'll cherish all of the beautiful memories for the rest of our lives. We love you and God Bless. Wesley Chapel, NC US

August 9 at 7:00 PM

SW

Sue Womack posted:

All my love to the entire family as you honor and remember him. Each of you carries on his strength, courage, craftiness, or sense of humor, but best of all his long, full life. I love you! Nashville, TN US

August 8 at 7:00 PM

MH

Marie & Howard Harrill posted:

Our prayers and thoughts are with you during this time knowing that God will see you through these difficult days. Jim & Beth, if there is anything we can do, please let us know. Shelby, NC US

August 8 at 7:00 PM

GS

Greg Stilwell posted:

My family and I wish to express our condolences to the Curtis Family. Your house in South Shores was my second home throughout my youth. Mr. Curtis was a patient, kind and gentle man. He provided limitless support to Brian and I as we pursued our musical endeavors. From tolerating countless loud rehearsals, designing band logos he was an incredibly talented artist, helping to move band equipment, driving the station wagon, having to sit through way too many performances.....always with humor and a smile for all. I saw in him a father that would do anything for his kids. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Dallas, TX US

August 8 at 7:00 PM



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BW

Betty Wheatley posted:

What a lovely, dear man with a nice sense of humor. The Election Judges will ALL miss him at the church; he was so helpful. My sincere sympathy. Decatur, IL US

August 7 at 7:00 PM

JY

Joe & Tammy Yesovitch posted:

Tammy and I both have heard so many wonderful stories about Mr. Curtis, from our good friend, Jim. I had the honor of meeting him once, when he visited Jim in Shelby. He was such a nice and funny guy, just like Jim. Please know that our thoughts & prayers are with you and your entire family. We wish you all comfort and peace at this very difficult time. Huntsville, AL US

August 7 at 7:00 PM

CW

Connie Austin-Weakly posted:

Candace and Family, I am so sorry for your loss. I pray that you find comfort at this most difficult time, knowing your father is in heaven and will never feel pain again. You know I am always a phone call away. I hope to see you when we return next week. Love, Connie Moweaqua, IL US

August 7 at 7:00 PM

BW

Birdie Wilkins posted:

MY prayers and condolences to Norm's family. I worked with Norm many years at PPG, I respected Norm and considered him a good christian friend. I have many good memories of Norm, he will be missed. Decatur, IL US

August 7 at 7:00 PM

BP

Brian And Sue Pollock posted:

We would like to express deep and sincere sympathy to you and your family at this sad time. We have been friends of Jim's for about 28 years and also a co-worker at PPG for the same amount of time. Huntsville, AL US

August 7 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Norman by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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