



## Robert Banks

January 14, 1939 - January 15, 2012

Robert Paul Banks died peacefully at his home, in Corsicana on Sunday, January 15, 2012 surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Breathitt County, Kentucky on January 14, 1939 to Jesse and Helen (Nichols) Banks. The family moved to Decatur, Indiana in 1940. He attended Decatur High School and was an outstanding athlete in football and basketball. After graduating in 1956, he entered the Army. Upon discharge, he attended and graduated from Tennessee Tech. He returned to Decatur and coached and taught at Monmouth High School, Decatur Junior High and Southeast Elementary until 1981 when he and his family moved to Corsicana. He taught eight grade history until his retirement in 2002. He married Marsha Basham in 1998. Bob is survived by his wife, Marsha; two children, Jennifer Threet and husband Ron of Rice and Michael Banks and wife Grace of Corsicana; step-children, William (Billy) Frick of Seattle, Washington, Missy Hawkins and husband Rick of Pine Mountain, Georgia, Beth Parker and husband David of Burleson, Wes Basham and wife Becki of Lufkin and Jon Basham and wife Rachel of Fort Hood, Killeen; eight grandchildren, Chelsea Townley, Tyler Spicer, Austin Peppers, Laura Basham, Carson Basham, Ethan Basham, Tristen Basham and Hayden Basham he is also survived by his beloved Shih Tzu Pepper. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to a charity of your choice. Visitation will be held Tuesday, January 17th from 4-5pm at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Graveside services will be 10:00am Wednesday, January 18th at Oakwood Cemetery with Wes Basham officiating.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Banks*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *To all the family, I'm very sorry for your loss. May peace and love be with you all.*

**Carmella Gutierrez** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are sorry about Bob and are praying for you and the family. If we can help you in any way please let us know.*

**Mike and Sherri Cradduck** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dearest Marsha and family,  
You will be in my thoughts and prayers. I will always remember Bob for his wry sense of humor and his knowledge of history.  
In His Love,  
April Wynn and family*

**April Dawn Wynn** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bob was a very interesting person in school. He will be missed at our class reunions. His family is in our prayers and thoughts.*

*Neil & Sue Keller*

**Susan Keller** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ MARSHA & FAMILY,

*WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.*

*MAY GOD BLESS YOU*

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**JIM BAUMGARTNER** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ MARSHA AND FAMILY,

*I REALLY ENJOYED MY FELLOWSHIP GROWING UP WITH BOB AND I SHARE YOUR SADNESS BUT WE KNOW BOB IS IN A BETTER PLACE WHERE THERE IS NO PAIN AND ONLY JOY.*

*MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY*

*JIM AND BECKY BAUMGARTNER*

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**JIM BAUMGARTNER** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Marsha, My thoughts and prayers are with you. God bless you and keep you, Joan*

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**Joan Summitt** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *Bob was a friend met during school years and kept after that will be missed by me and many others including his Decatur Yellow Jackets buddies.*

*God bless Marcha for taking care and loving my Buddy*

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**Larry & Sidney (Beery) Moses** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Remembering Bob in our high school days--many good times and lots of fun. So sorry for his passing but we will always remember the good times and memories. Janalee Smith Holmes

Janalee Holmes - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Sincere condolences to the family, my Father Samuel Nichols was brother to Helen, grandmother of Michael and Jennifer. Thanks to Treva she gave me the sad news of your Father passing and I pray for God's comfort at this difficult time.

Sue (Nichols) Weaver - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Sincere condolences to the family...I am a cousin (Sue)of Michael and Jennifer. My Father Samuel Nichols,was your Grandmother's brother. Thanks to Treva she gave me sad news of your Father passing. May God comfort , Love and prayers

Sue (Nichols) Weaver - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ Marsha, To let you know you are in my thoughts. I still keep up through the Daily Sun on things from home...while here in Virginia.  
In Sympathy,  
linda

linda pedersen - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Bob was a member of the Class of 1958, of which I was also a member. He is an unforgettable guy. My prayers are with the family as they mourn their loss of Bob.

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**Linda (Norris) Kaehr** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Mrs. Banks, my family is thinking of and praying for you and your family.

Love,

*Herman and Laurie Forstmann*

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**Herman Forstmann** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Jen-so sorry to hear of your loss! You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. If there is anything we can do to help or just to be there please call. Lb

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**Lindsey Barak** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow,  
May looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow.

*I LOVED MR BANKS!! One of my favorite teachers in school!! What a gracious, wonderful man that left this world. I pray for peace and a quick cross over to the heavens to be with the Heavenly Father. My condolences to all the family and friends of Mr. Robert Banks.*

*Much Respect and Sympathy.*

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**Jody Mayes Sanders** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Even though I only knew Bob through Facebook, he was obviously an educated, thoughtful and totally pleasant man. I know he will be sadly missed by his family and friends. My heart goes out to you.

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**Lynne Logan** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ Mrs.Banks & family  
So sorry for your loss. Bob was a special guy.  
Thank you for my card when my huband passed away  
I will be Praying for Gods comfort  
for you.  
Keep those special memories !

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**Dianne Elzey** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Bob was a loving step-father and proud father of our own children. He remained a good friend and enjoyed his last years filled with happiness and love with Marsha. I am so grateful for the friendship of both. Rest in Peace, my friend. You will be missed, but our memories will enriched.

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**Norm & Mary Ann Schieferstein** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Bob was a wonderful step-father to my children, to Marsha's and to our own. I am so happy we remained friends and that Marsha made his last years so happy. It was a life well lived and he will be greatly missed. Rest in peace, my friend.

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**Norm & Mary Ann Schieferstein** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Bob & I knew each other from when he first moved to Decatur, to a street right behind me. We went thru all school together, played football & track together, and yes, got into some wild activities together. we remained friends throughout all these years. My thoughts are with his family and pray that the good Lord will watch over them during their time of sorrow

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**Jack Macklin** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ Marsha, I am terribly sorry for your loss. I received notice from Jenna Hall this afternoon and it was a shock. Bob was a great teacher and a good friend to many of us. Our thoughts are with you tonight and in the days to come.

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**Ronnie Odom** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ thank you Marsha for falling in love with Bob! what a great brother he turned out to be. much love to you!  
kathy

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**kathy** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM