



## Earl VerHoeven

April 9, 1926 - March 17, 2010

Earl Duane VerHoeven, 83, of Siloam Springs, Ark., died Mar. 17, 2010, at Circle of Life Hospice in Springdale, Ark. Born Apr. 9, 1926, in Linton, N.D., he was the son of Anthony and Zina Mae VerHoeven. He lived in Michigan as a teenager and joined the Army Air Corps after graduating from high school in 1944. He served for two years as a photographer and returned to Michigan before moving to California to study at the Bible Institute of Los Angeles (Biola). While in Los Angeles he met and married Marcia Bair. In 1952, they relocated to Siloam Springs, where Earl became the building maintenance supervisor at John Brown University. He served in that capacity for 38 years and retired in 1990. He was a believer in Jesus Christ and a member of Harvard Ave. Baptist Church in Siloam Springs. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marcia, and three older siblings—George, Ann, and Clara. He is survived by four children, Judy Trook of Enid, Okla.; Jon VerHoeven and wife Teri of Springdale, Ark.; Rochelle Lloyd and husband Ted of Hemet, Calif.; and Rick VerHoeven and wife Leah of Twin Falls, Idaho; ten grandchildren, Tarrah Ross and husband Maury of Broken Arrow, Okla., Lindsey Trook of Enid, Okla., Jonathan VerHoeven of Fayetteville, Ark., Jeffrey VerHoeven of Springdale, Ark., Amanda and Missy Lloyd of Hemet, Calif., and Alex, Becca, Christa, and Andie VerHoeven of Twin Falls, Idaho; and three great-grandchildren, Carter, Jillian, and Parker Ross of Broken Arrow, Okla. Pallbearers will be the cadet honor guard of the 115th Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. at Wasson Memorial Chapel

in Siloam Springs on Friday, Mar. 26, 2010, with Dr. Gene L. Jeffries officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery in Siloam Springs. Visitation will be 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, Mar. 25, 2010, at Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to U.S. Center for World Mission, P.O. Box 3586, Fayetteville, AR 72703, with memo "In memory of Earl VerHoeven."

# Tribute Wall

MH

“ I always remember Uncle Earl and Aunt Marcia telling us Bible stories in the basement of my Grandparents' house when they visited. Later, after I married I would send Uncle Earl Christmas cards and letters throughout the year and every time he'd telephone me to talk for a bit...how I cherish those Bible stories and phone calls :-)

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**Michelle and Sean Hall** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

GM

“ We enjoyed visiting them in the "house in the woods." Even after Marcia's cancer they were genuinely hospitable. After her departure, we visited him occasionally. Evan after the "unfortunate" accident, he maintained commitment to our Lord and served nobly as did Marcia.

*We have great memories.*

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**Glenn & Shirley Marshall** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

KM

“ Rick and family, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of sorrow.

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**Kathy Murray** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

JW

“ Earl and Marcia were very special people and are fondly remembered. Blessings on all of you!

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**Jan and Terri Wubbena** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

NG

“ I got to know Mr. Verhoeven through my job at a local bank. I worked years ago with Judy Trook, his daughter, at the Bank of Bentonville and I would ask him about her and her family. He was one of the first people I meet when I moved to Siloam and I enjoyed getting to know him.  
My sympathy goes out to all the family.

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**Nellie Goodman** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

ES

“ To all the Verhoeven family, I just want to tell you how much I enjoyed Earl coming by my office. He would come by everyday on his walk and sometimes he would just stop and sit. I've missed him doing that. You are all in my prayers at this time of your loss.

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**Elaine Sbanotto** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

LC

“ We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Back in the old days, JBU would have had even a much slower time in getting things done without the aoo-over care of the school given by your parents. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

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**Lucy Kennedy Cundiff** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

BO

“ I lived with Dr. and Mrs. Wills 2 1/2 years while I was a student at JBU. Therefore, Mrs. Wills often spoke of Earl and Marcia with delight.  
I send my sincere sympathy to the family.

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**betty schaefer oka** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

MR

“ *My sympathy to all the members of Earl's family.*

*I have fond memories of riding on his university fire truck. I also remember working in the utility tunnels installing new heating/air conditioning piping insulation.*

*JBU is a better place because of the good service he performed there.*

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**Maurice Rankin** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

MF

“ *Earl and I met in the mid 1950s when I came to JBU as a student. I liked him then...and continued to have a warm friendship with him to this day. He was a good friend...and I respected him for all the things he stood for.*  
*He is at Peace.*

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**Mike Flynn** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

AV

“ *Prayfully remembering you in your time of loss.*

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**A.P. & Darline Vohs** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

LN

“ *Our thoughts and prayers will be with the family as you go through this difficult time. We have great memories of how Earl took pride in the buildings on the JBU Campus and saw that they were kept inviting and spotlessly clean. We will miss Earl but realize that he is in a much better place. Previous commitments will prevent us from attending the service on Friday. God Bless You.*

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**Lee & Nancy Netherton** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

JL

“ We just want to let you know you all are in our thoughts and prayers. We will miss Earl, but we know that he is with our Lord and we look forward to seeing him again. Let us know if there is anything we can do. May you feel the presence of our Lord at this time, and may you feel His Peace and Love too.

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**Joe and Marie LeGrand** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

DD

“ I will be thinking of your family during these days. Earl was a blessing to all of you, and I know that you will remember all the wonderful things he taught you about our Lord. May the peace of Christ rest in your hearts.

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**Dr. Richard W. Dunn** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

EB

“ To the entire VerHoeven family,

*My thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time. But we all know that we will see our folks again. Earl is in a much better place now. No pain. No sorrow. And reunited with many of the JBU family that has gone on before. May His love surround you.*

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**Ellen Brammer** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM

GR

“ *May Almighty God of all Comfort and Tender mercies Comfort the VerHoeven Family (2Co.1:3,4),*

*When the last enemy strikes grief may be great and make the heart yearn for Comfort, Almighty God gives HOPE and PROMISE at (JOHN 5:28, ACTS 24:15 and REVELATION 21:4) His HOPE and PROMISE SOON TO BE ATTAIN, May these thoughts be of some Comfort*  
*gingerrobison@bellsouth.net*

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**Ginger Robinson** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 PM