



## Arthur Edward Carroll

May 29, 1928 - January 31, 2017

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Arthur was a veteran of the U.S. Army and earned a Bronze Star in Korea. Upon returning from Korea he resumed management of the family grocery store, Burkhart & Carroll founded in 1916, with his father. After they closed the Bland Street store in 1978, he was employed at Acme Market until his retirement in 1990.

Arthur was a lifelong member of Bluefield First Baptist Church, where he taught Sunday School starting at age 14. He also served First Baptist as a trustee and a deacon. He worked on numerous church committees and was a proud member of the Senior OASIS group. Arthur also held various leadership positions in numerous state and local Baptist associations.

Outside of work and church, Arthur was an avid gardener who took great joy in nurturing his vegetable garden. He also loved to cook and experiment with recipes. He enjoyed writing, and in 1989 his poem "Bluefield—Fields of Blue" was selected as the official Bluefield Centennial poem. In 2015 he wrote the words to the hymn, "Go Tell the World," which will be sung at his funeral.

Arthur enjoyed doing for others and for years he coordinated and helped cook the men's breakfast at First Baptist and actively served the community through the Bibles in the Schools program, the Bluefield Union Mission, where he served on the Board of Directors, and the Bluefield YMCA's Men's Club.

Arthur also served as the President of the Bluefield Red Cross.

Arthur offered many a kind word and gentle smile to those in need. He was a dearly loved husband and father, an adored grandfather and a cherished friend of many.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Barbara Anderson Carroll; daughter Karen Carroll Walker and her husband Jeffery D. Walker of Knoxville, TN; son Dr. Stephen A. Carroll and his wife Bettie H. Carroll of Walkertown, NC; three grandchildren, Marion A. Carroll of Greenville, SC and Jacob J. Walker and Caleb D. Walker of Knoxville, TN. Arthur is also survived by his brother Dr. Dan Marion Carroll, Jr. of Waco, TX, and his sister Mattie Carroll Mullins of Johnson City, TN.

The funeral will be held at 2 pm on Sunday, February 5 at First Baptist Church in Bluefield, WV followed by a brief gravesite ceremony at Grandview Memory Gardens in Bluefield, VA. The family will receive visitors at Mercer Funeral Home in Bluefield WV from 6-8 p.m. on Saturday, February 4.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made to Bibles in the Schools, Bluefield Union Mission, or Senior OASIS at First Baptist Church. Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting [www.MercerFuneralHome.com](http://www.MercerFuneralHome.com) Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Arthur Carroll.

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# Cemetery Details

**Grandview Memory Gardens**

Bluefield, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Arthur Edward Carroll*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Arthur Carroll was truly a wonderful, Christian man who will be missed by his family, his church and his community. Our relationship to him is that we felt like we were family members too. Our family grew up in the old Carroll home place on Ridge Street. My mother worked at the grocery store for many years. Quite often Arthur and his siblings would walk up the hill to see their old home and to compliment our parents for keeping it in such good shape. There are many beautiful memories of Arthur and his family. and we will always cherish them.*

*To Barbara, Karen, Stephen, Marion, Mattie and the other family members, we offer you our love and sympathy. We pray that God will strengthen you during this time. Arthur is with the Lord and his beloved parents. We have the blessed assurance that one day we will join them and what a day of rejoicing that will be. We send these words on behalf of our dear mother, Alma Littlejohn.*

*With Much Love and God's Blessings,  
Jackie Littlejohn Poe, Clarence (Al) Littlejohn, Gerald Littlejohn,  
Michael Littlejohn and Teresa Littlejohn Parson*

Jackie Littlejohn Poe - February 27, 2017 at 11:29 AM



“ *Mr. Carroll was always so good to me when I worked with him at Acme. Thankful to have known him and also thankful for the friendship he had with my parents (Bill and Sharon) for many many years!! He will surely be missed! Prayers for the family!!*

Lori Murphy Caldwell - February 07, 2017 at 08:39 PM

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“ *Mr. Carroll was an inspiration and wonderful man to work with at Acme. Always smiling and pleasant to be around. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Stuart and Jennie Sutherland*

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**jennie sutherland** - February 04, 2017 at 07:00 PM

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“ *My prayers are with your family in this time of Arthur's homegoing. What a wonderful example he has been to so many!*

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**Neal Hawkins** - February 04, 2017 at 07:20 AM

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“ *The Hyltons: Warren, Patty, TraciJo & Morgan purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Arthur Edward Carroll.*



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**The Hyltons: Warren, Patty, TraciJo & Morgan** - February 04, 2017 at 06:30 AM