



James Dewitt Robertson, Jr.

December 10, 1925 - December 11, 2010

James Dewitt Robertson, Jr. age 85 of Kingston, passed away December 11, 2010 at Roane Medical Center.

Born December 10, 1925, in Falling Rock, West Virginia, he was the son of James Dewitt Robertson, Sr. and Helen Derose Rader.

J.D. was a sergeant in the U.S. Army Air Force from 1944 to 1946. He came to Oak Ridge in 1945, where he met his wife of 62 years, Ann Rogers Robertson, to whom he was devoted until her death in 2009. He retired from Oak Ridge Y-12 in 1985 after 40 years of service. J.D. was proud, part-owner of Lakeside Golf Course in Kingston, where he enjoyed many years of work, play, and camaraderie. He was a long time supporter and avid fan of the Kingston Yellow Jackets football team. He instilled in his children at an early age a strong sense of moral right and wrong and responsibility to help those in need.

He is survived by loving daughters, Martha McReynolds of Knoxville, Kay Bryson and devoted son-in-law and best friend, John Bryson of Kingston, cherished granddaughter, Leslie Quimby Westmoreland, her husband, Scott Westmoreland, and beloved great grandson, Stone Westmoreland of Nashville.

J.D. will long be remembered for his indelible sense of humor and love for the community.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Friday, December 17, 2010, at Kyker Funeral Home in Kingston. Funeral service will immediately follow. Burial at Kingston Memorial Gardens following funeral service. Reverend Doug Westmoreland of Tupelo, Mississippi, officiating. The family requests in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Tribute Wall

KH

“ Kay I was saddened to hear of your fathers death. I did not hear about it until after he was burried. I considered JD to be a very good friend and was good to me as a supervisor at Y12.

Kenneth Hall - January 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Martha, Kaye, & Family:
I am deeply saddened by the death of my dear friend J.D. He taught me so much about so many things, I never knew quite how much to thank him for the kindness & wisdom that he taught me. My best days @ Y-12 wer working with him & Harold Brendle. His mentoring made me the man & employee that I am today.
You girls were blessed with two really fine parents. I loved them both.
God Bless You All
Brad Franklin Jr.

brad franklin - December 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Kay,
WE were sorry to hear about your father's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
John & Linda

John Barnes - December 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Martha & Kay, We were so sorry to hear JD had passed away. His practical jokes, teasing and laughter will always be remembered. Your family was such a special part of our growing up in Kingston. We will keep all of you in our prayers.

Patty & Pam Bolyard - December 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ I worked for J. D. at Y-12. We had a good relationship and a lot of fun while we went on with our work. He was the greatest supervisor for which I ever worked. He will be missed.

Donald "Doc" Craig - December 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ J.D. YOU AND ANN WERE GOOD FRIENDS TO US AND THE FAIRGROUND, WE WILL MISS YOU COMING UP AND SITING ON OUR PORCH , ALSO WALKING WITH YOU. WE BOTH THANK YOU FOR YOR FRIENDSHIP. WE KNOW YOU ARE NOW WITH ANN AND HAPPY AGAIN. GOD BLESS YOU AND FAMILY.

ALLAN & JAYNE WATSON - December 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *Martha, Kay and Family,*

I will never forget J.D. and Bo coming to one of Josh's senior year football games, and Josh played his heart out to impress his uncle and great-uncle! I still have the picture we all took on the football field. Once when we were visiting them in Tennessee, I was gracefully climbing into J.D's boat and ended up in the river, soaking wet! Boy, did J.D. get a laugh out of my athletic ability! I probably fell in on purpose because I loved to hear J.D. laugh! I have so many memories of J.D. and Annie Ruth that I treasure. I know each of you have wonderful memories that will last a lifetime. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

*Love,
Jan*

Jan Perry - December 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *Talking about special people.....Annie Ruth and JD were special people to me !!!! Of course, JD was the love of my life other than "real" family, and as far back as I can remember, I was going to grow up and marry somebody just as good looking and fun !!!!He taught me and my oldest brother to DRIVE. How important is that? He taught me to be the champion water skier that I became in my younger days. He just taught me how to laugh!
He loved all three of his girls so very, very much. Since he had no boys.....he dearly loved all 3 of my brothers as if they were his own. We will miss him dearly. Charlotte*

Charlotte Perry Waters - December 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM