



George R. Arnold

May 26, 1941 - April 12, 2024

George Ronald Arnold, age 82, passed away on Friday, April 12, 2024, at the University of Kentucky Albert B. Chandler Hospital. A Memorial Service will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home on Friday, April 19, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. with Rev. Todd Lester officiating. Military Honors will be observed by the VFW Post 4075. Visitation will be at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Friday.

George was one of a kind. He could always put a smile on your face and make you laugh. To carry on the “George stories” and memories, he is survived by his wife of forty-four years, Teresa Duvall Arnold; his daughter, Tammy (Mike) Leigh Arnold, cherished granddaughter, Genevieve (Tae) Ruth Arnold, a younger sister, Pat (Ron) Trostel and previous wife, Joy Graham Arnold. He is survived by several nieces and nephews and was blessed with many friends and family.

George was the son of the late Frank Arnold and Edith Clark Arnold. In addition to his parents, George is preceded in death by his brother, Frank Arnold Jr. George was born in Louisville, KY, and graduated from Shawnee High School in 1959, Eastern Kentucky State College in 1965 with a degree in Geography and Physical Education, and received a Master’s in Education from Georgetown College in 1983. George was very proud of his service in the United States Army. He served his country from May 1965 to May 1967 in Hanau, Germany during the Vietnam War and received an honorable discharge.

Starting in 1967, George taught as an Elementary Physical Education Teacher in the Franklin County Public School System at Peaks Mill, Bald Knob, Thornhill, Hearn and Bridgeport. He had such fond memories of the students he taught, and could still remember so many by name. Starting in 1981 he was the 1st trainer for the Western Hills High School Football team until he retired from teaching in 1992.

After George's retirement, he worked at several places, where he never met a stranger. These included the Red Cross, the I-64 Rest Area, the Gooch House Visitor Center, Kentucky Historical Society Museum and the Kentucky Military Arsenal. He also was a "green coat" employee in the box seats at Keeneland. George loved high school sports, especially football and basketball, and he could often be found at games with his "colorful" companions Lapsley Cardwell and Jim "Baby" Johnson. He also volunteered for many athletic tournaments at the Frankfort Convention Center.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Franklin County Humane Society, animal shelters of your choice, or the local athletic teams.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **19**. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Harrod Brothers Funeral Home
312 Washington Street
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Memorial Service

APR **19**. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

KG

“ My family and I were saddened to hear of Mr. Arnold's passing. Mr. Arnold was my PE teacher at Peaks Mill Elementary School in 1967 until the 7th graders went to junior high school. He was also my daughter's PE teacher at Peaks Mill Elementary School when she first started school in 1990; he retired while she was there. Mr. Arnold always knew my family by name (mom, sister, daughter, husband, and myself) whenever he saw us no matter how long it had been since he last saw us. The last time my mom (Nellie Cardwell) and I saw Mr. Arnold was in Bourbon County at the 400 Mile Yard Sale in 2021. Mr. Arnold knew us right off and of course we recognized him as well. He was an unforgettable person. My family and I send our deepest sympathies to all his family. Keila Gatewood

Keila Gatewood - April 20, 2024 at 09:17 AM

DD

“ We lost one of a kind in George. He was a good friend and long time friend of our office. He always had a smile on his face and was such a joy to know. I will miss him. Thank you George!

D. Kurt Adams, DC - April 17, 2024 at 07:51 AM

CP

“ I am deeply saddened to hear about the passing of Mr. George. He was not only a great friend but also an exceptional athletic trainer, who touched the lives of so many. My thoughts are with you during this difficult time, and I hope you find comfort in the memories and legacy he leaves behind. Please accept my heartfelt condolences.”
Cedric Ponds aka cornbread

Cedric Ponds - April 16, 2024 at 03:03 PM

LH

God rest his soul. Amen

Linda Hancock - April 16, 2024 at 06:12 PM

MS

So surprised and saddened to read of George's passing. I got to know him when he was out treasure hunting, the same as me. He loved to joke around, talk about his time at the military museum, his granddaughter, his wife. George, I'll miss your humor, your sweetness, and your love of the hunt. My condolences to the family of a lovely man. - Mary Ann Scott

Maryann Scott - April 21, 2024 at 04:26 PM



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Harrod Brothers Funeral Home - April 16, 2024 at 10:38 AM

DR

“ *I will always remember snow days playing cards with George n fellow teachers out of school wishing we were in Florida and not cold n snowy Frankfort.*

Dale Rogers - April 15, 2024 at 04:38 PM

CJ

Georgie Porgie was our nickname for our favorite gym teacher! Not only did he teach gym class, he was our coach in all sports softball, basketball, volleyball, ect. He was our gymnastics teacher and my favorite was the balance beam. He was so much more than a teacher to us, he was our friend and confidant. He always had time for us when we needed it and we could talk to him about anything. We truly loved him. I hope God's blessings for him pour out forever 🙏 we will miss you greatly 😭 prayers for Teresa and family for comfort.

Carlene Jockers Johnson - April 15, 2024 at 06:58 PM