



David Lee "Buddy" Holland

December 24, 1933 - May 28, 2024

David Lee Holland, 90, born December 24, 1933 passed away peacefully on May 28, 2024 at Transitions Life Care in Raleigh, NC. The world lost a remarkable soul. David was affectionately known as "Buddy".

Buddy was retired from Wake County ABC and a member of Apex Baptist Church. Buddy led a fulfilling life, leaving behind a legacy that touched the hearts of all who knew him. He was an Army Veteran who served during the Korean War. Buddy served with the Apex Historic Committee and was known as Mr. Apex. Buddy loved his orange VW bug which everyone knew that was Buddy's bug.

He was preceded in death by his parents Nathaniel and Sarah Holland, brother, James Holland and sister, Betty Clayton. He is survived by numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Instead of flowers family request donations to Apex Baptist Church in Buddy's memory.

A Celebration of Buddy's Life will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, June 1, 2024, at Apex Baptist Church. The family will receive friends after the service.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

Apex Baptist Church
110 S. Salem St
Apex, NC 27502

Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Buddy Holland always offered a word of cheer and a gesture of hospitality when The Gang Of Three met on his porch. He laughed at my lame jokes and tolerated the irreverent remarks. May he have Endless Peaceful Sleep.* ”

Daniel B Martin - August 20, 2024 at 12:44 PM

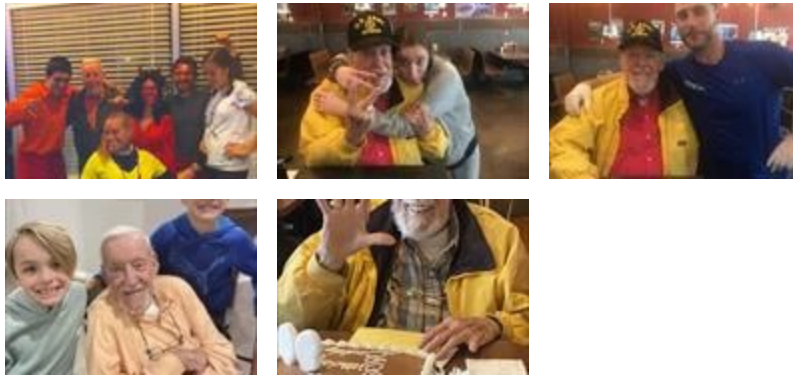
MC

“ *Buddy was our neighbor on Central St in Apex. He was our town historian. We were very fond of Buddy. Went out of our way to visit him when in the neighborhood. He truly was the sweetest man. He will be missed and remembered.* ”

Marc and Patricia Cordova - August 18, 2024 at 01:19 PM

ER

“ *8 files added to the tribute wall* ”



Erika - June 01, 2024 at 11:28 AM

DG

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Doris Holland Gilbert - May 31, 2024 at 04:46 PM

DG

My cousin who is laughing, entertaining and dancing with no more pain. You were “one of a kind”.

Doris Holland Gilbert - May 31, 2024 at 04:48 PM

PW

“ *Oh what a special person Buddy was! He would keep you smiling as long as you were around. From a patient in the dental office, having dinner at D&S and talking about living in his grandparents home. Later year’s would come and visit his Aunt from Wilmington and cousin why they were at the dentist! Oh what fun and memories we would talk about! Buddy will be missed! But what celebration he’s having with love ones now!!*

Peggy Jones Woody - May 29, 2024 at 09:13 PM

RD

“ I loved my lunches with Buddy. The many years of our lunch meets are filled with laughter, which Buddy often lead. He always said “Rachel I’m so glad you got to see me today. “ I’ll look forward to seeing you again one day Buddy! Love you bunches! So glad I met you, you brought so much joy to my life. As you did to everyone around you. ❤️❤️❤️ You’ll forever be in our hearts.

Rachel Danielle - May 29, 2024 at 09:12 PM

TL

“ I was introduced to Buddy several years ago by mutual friends. Buddy's warmth and kindness were evident from the first, He was a true Southern Gentleman, whose jokes still make me smile. He loved it (I think), when I would tease him about getting old. He was always amazingly thoughtful and always thought of others before himself. I know Buddy was a believer and is now in the arms of Jesus! Buddy will always live in my memories and will be greatly missed.

Todd Layton - May 29, 2024 at 05:23 PM

PS

“ I have known Buddy all my life. I remember him having Santa sitting on his porch with his feet in a bucket. Buddy liked having fun. I visited him last year and we had the best time talking and reminiscing about old times. I will always remember that visit. Fly high with the Angels my friend.

Peggy Singleton - May 29, 2024 at 03:22 PM

MW

Buddy was a joy to know. He always had a smile and kind words. He kept the coffee going for the men’s Sunday School class. Apex has lost a very special one. Rest in Peace Buddy!!!

Marion Woody - May 29, 2024 at 06:22 PM

MG

“ Always looked forward to seeing Buddy , a very special man and a joy to be with. Sleep well my dear cousin, you will be forever in my heart. MaryLib

Mary H Grissett - May 29, 2024 at 02:44 PM

MG

“ Mary H Grissett lit a candle in memory of David Lee "Buddy" Holland



Mary H Grissett - May 29, 2024 at 02:39 PM