



Robert Alan Jeffries

August 6, 1958 - July 27, 2007

Robert Alan Jeffries, 48, of Muncie, went home to be with the Lord Friday evening following an extended illness.

He was born August 6, 1958 in Corydon, a son of Ben R. and Rebecca Faye (Ash) Jeffries.

He graduated from Forest Park High School in Southern Indiana and received his Bachelor's Degree in Religious Education in 1981 from God's Bible School in Cincinnati. He was a pastor, teacher and cook but his greatest love was serving as a missionary to the American Indians. He was a missionary in New Mexico, taught school in Washington Courthouse, Ohio, pastored the Pilgrim Holiness Church in Kokomo, Ind. and was a cook at the Kokomo Rescue Mission. He pastored among the Sioux Indians in South Dakota on the Rosebud Indian Reservation. He was a teacher and a cook at the Montezuma Christian School. He and his wife were foster parents to several Indian children. He was a member of the Pilgrim Holiness Church in Muncie and had been a cook at the Old Country Buffet, Family Kitchen, and the 12th Street Café in Muncie. He also enjoyed reading and music.

He is survived by his wife Lorena Mae (Davis) Jeffries whom he married on September 18, 1982; a son, Jason A. Jeffries of Muncie; two brothers, Benjamin R. Jeffries and Paul L. Jeffries; a foster sister, Marilee (husband: Jack) Atkins of Birdseye, Ind.; two foster brothers, Butch and Jim Lawrence; brothers and sisters-in-law, Judy (husband: Wes) Craker of Marion, OH, David (wife: Cindy) Davis of King's Mountain, N. C., Margie (husband: John)

McClure of Calvin, PA, Tom (wife: Debbie) Davis of Lexington, N.C., Debbie (husband: David) Bennett of Apple Creek, OH, John (wife: Audrey) Davis of Venezuela and Sam (wife: Brenda) Davis of Lewisburg, OH and several nieces and nephews;

He was preceded in death by his loving foster parents, Ivan and Lucille Lawrence; a foster brother, Donald Lawrence; two brothers-in-law, Robert and Danny Davis; and his in-laws, Herman L. and LaVina Louise Davis.

Services will be 7:00 p.m. Monday at the Pilgrim Holiness Church in Muncie, 2720 Apache Pass, with Pastor Stephen G. Clemens and Rev. James A. Southerland Sr. officiating. A committal service will be at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery near Daleville.

Friends may call from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Monday at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pilgrim Holiness Benevolence Fund with envelopes available at the church.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Sproles Family Funeral Home in New Castle. You may send a personal condolence to the family at www.sprolesfamilycares.com

Tribute Wall

MS

“ Dear Lorena & family, I was shocked to see Bob's obituary when Mom sent it to me from the Cottonwood newspaper. I was in Nashville at the time of his death and you all were on my mind right around that time or just before. I was wondering where you were and how and what you were doing because I had just been out in Cottonwood visiting my folks and we had driven over to the school to take a look.

I am so sorry to hear of his passing - I didn't know he was ill. I am praying for you; I know Father is giving you grace, but it's always hard no matter what. I always enjoyed talking to him- he was so knowledgeable of history and had such a heart for people, especially our Indian children. He truly exemplified the character of Jesus in many ways. It won't be long 'til we see him again! I'm looking forward to that great reunion. Until then, may the Lord sustain you and comfort your heart with His Presence. He is able!

Melissa Smith - August 15, 2007 at 06:39 PM

MS

“ Lorena.. So sorry to hear of your loss. May the good Lord keep His arms wrapped around you and the family thru this rough time. Love & prayers from all of us Shemelia's

marcia shemelia - August 09, 2007 at 12:44 PM

DD

“ I was in school with Bob at GBS here in Cincinnati and remember him as a kind and friendly person

This is sent with prayer for Lorena and the family.

Don Davison God's Bible School and College Cincinnati, OH

Don Davison - August 04, 2007 at 02:37 PM

HL

“ Dear Lorena, It has been along time since we've heard anything of you and your husband. We are truly sorry to find out that he has passed away. May you find comfort in knowing that your friends are all remembering you in prayers, and that this is not over...for there's gonna be a meeting in the air!!! Take care. Love, Han...

Hannah Lopez - August 03, 2007 at 01:05 PM

RG

“ Lorena, Just wanted to let you know that you and your family are in our prayers. Lots of love, Rachel Gresham

Rachel Gresham - August 01, 2007 at 09:58 PM

BB

“ At this time, it's so good to know that there is a Heaven. Thank the Lord for the hope that we have. I know that doesn't take away our loss, but it does give us something to look forward to. Love & prayer, Betty B.

Betty M. Bradbury - July 31, 2007 at 08:46 PM

CT

“ Dear Lorena and Family,
I'm praying for you and want you to know that if there is anything I can do I want you to to let me know. We all know that Robert is in a better place and he is not suffering any more. Keep your hand in Jesus, He will see you through.
Love, The Turners, Scott, Carmelita, Marie and Trenton.

Carmelita Turner - July 31, 2007 at 01:59 PM

TJ

“ So sorry about your loss. Bro. Jeffries was my "dorm dad" the year I was saved at Pilgrim Camp in 1988. He was always encouraging me. Our prayers will be with you and your family.

Travis & Jody Johnson - July 30, 2007 at 09:10 PM

MW

“ Lorena,
I am so sorry to hear about your loss. Robert was like a brother to me for the 2 years he was with my family. He has been a good and faithful servant and I plan on seeing him again someday. He overcame a lot in life, but he won the race. He has finished the battle and conquered death. His death will be just a short transition. Again, my deepest sympathy during your short separation.
Sincerely,
Michael Welden and family

Michael Welden - July 30, 2007 at 11:58 AM

TE

“ Bob was a fine man and a sweet spirit. Lorena, you cared for him with the utmost love to the very end. You have exemplified a Christian spirit throughout this long ordeal.
God Bless You, Troy and Debi

Troy and Debi Edrington - July 30, 2007 at 10:43 AM

MS

“ So sorry for your loss. I attended the Wesleyan Holiness Church in Washington C.H., Ohio years ago and you and your husband were located there. It has been many years and you may not remember. My thoughts are with you. Michael A. Storer

Michael A. Storer - July 30, 2007 at 10:11 AM

MH

“ Lorena, So sorry to read on the Pilgrim web site about Robert passing. I did not know he was sick. I'm so sorry, you are in my thoughts and prayers. Myrna (Sechrest)Huette

Myrna Huette - July 29, 2007 at 11:54 PM

RL

“ Dear Lorena, Please accept our sincere sympathy for the loss of your loved one. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Rev. and Mrs. Bob Leach - July 29, 2007 at 07:01 PM