



James Pierce Obituary

March 5, 1923 - September 2, 2010

James LeRoy Pierce, son of Emmett Lucius Pierce and Lenora Ethel Herring was born in Parrott, GA on March 5, 1923. He graduated from Parrott High School in 1940 and obtained a M.S. degree in Commercial Science from Benjamin Franklin University in Washington, D.C. in 1945. During the time he lived in Washington, he worked for William Claybaugh and Company as a C.P.A and was the youngest person to pass the C.P.A. exam at that time. In 1949, he moved to Albany, Georgia and in 1950, opened Puckett and Pierce, C.P.A.'s with Ray H. Puckett. Their partnership lasted until 1978, when Mr. Puckett retired. After a whirlwind courtship lasting only 6 weeks, he married Ruth Dean Ford in 1952. They had one daughter, Tina. James believed that "a citizen should serve his country and contribute in making his neighborhood a better place to live". He was a civic leader in Albany and was a member of Rotary International, GA Society of C.P.A.'s, Sons of the American Revolution, Southwest Georgia Genealogical Society, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Toastmasters, Thronateeska Heritage Society, Chamber of Commerce, United Fund and Happy House. He served as President for many of these organizations. In 1979, he sold his accounting practice to his partners, retired at age 56, and never regretted it! In 1982, the Pierce's relocated to Ft Worth, Texas to enjoy life with their granddaughter, Melissa Pierce Wilson and grandson, James Carson Wilson. In 1986, the family moved to Bribie Island, Queensland Australia. They built a beautiful home overlooking Moreton Bay that he named "Realization". There were many happy times at their home,

including visits from his brother, Malcolm E. Pierce and family. In 2001, the Pierces moved to Longmont, Colorado to be closer to family and lived there until James died on September 2, 2010. James had three passions: his professional life as a C.P.A., his hobby of genealogy, and his love of Australia, the land and the people. He was a wonderful provider and an intellectual with a wide array of interests including art, music, politics and travel. He is survived by his wife, Ruth; his daughter, Tina; grandchildren, Melissa and James; and his brother, Malcolm and his family. He led a remarkable and interesting life and was loved. He will be missed.

Tribute Wall



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“ *Mr. Pierce hired me to work for him at Bailey Lincoln Mercury in Ft. Worth, Texas. He taught me many things about accounting procedures that I still use today. I regret that I never had the chance to thank him. I enjoyed traveling to audits out of town with him and hearing his life experiences over dinner or while waiting at the airport. He and Ruth exuded gracious southern hospitality. I will always remember when they treated the office to dinner at the country club and their nice Christmas party at their home. My condolences to Ruth and the family.*

Bruce Edwards - December 19, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to you all. James will be missed and remembered as a loving father and one who lived to contribute to the well being of those around him. A man of honor and service.*

Karon Sample Phillips - October 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Tina, I just found out of your Dad's death. My prayers are with you and your family.*

Orelia Futch Morris - September 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Tina and Mrs. Pierce, So sorry to hear of Mr. Pierce's passing. I have many fond memories of being in your home as a child! Please know my thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time.
Debbie

Debbie TenHagen Sutton - September 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Mrs. Pierce. So sorry to miss your visitatio. I wanted to see you and your daughter. As I remeber how hard we worked togther here and glad she and her family are doing well. My sympathies to you and your family. Sincerly, Dr. John Inman, Jr.

Dr. John Inman, Jr. - September 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ our deepest sympathy at these difficult times,, love, marcena and howard

marcena and howard kenney - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ To the family and friends of Mr. James Pierce, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. I can tell Mr. Pierce was greatly loved and will be sorely missed. Mr. Pierce seemed like he had an exciting and wonderful life. When I lost someone very dear to me in death, I gained comfort in a scripture found in Revelation 21:4. This scripture is comforting because it brings out that one day there will be no more tears of saddness, no more pain, and best of all no more death! I hope this scripture brings you comfort in your time if need.

TDP PDT - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Tina, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Susan Dowdell Smith - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Tina, I just learned of your father's death and wanted to say how sorry I am for your loss. I will be praying for you, your mom, and your family. I am headed out of town today to Boston and Cape Cod, so I will not be able to see you. Your parents have always been so awesome and close to you, following you around the world. I know this is a very sad time, but hope the many good memories will help you through this loss. Love, Dimi (& Thomas)

Dimi (Pace) & Thomas Williams - September 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

WP

“ Dear Aunt Ruth, Although I will miss the funeral, please know that I will be thinking about you and the family all day Thursday. With love,
Wendy

Wendy Bowen Maxwell, niece of James Pierce - September 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM