



Jerry L Pennington

January 26, 1936 - August 29, 2011

Jerry Pennington passed away on August 29, 2011 in his home as he had wished. He was born in Hot Springs, Arkansas on January 26, 1936. His parents were E.J. and Louise Pennington. He graduated from Hot Springs High School and went to Arkansas State to study pre-law on a baseball scholarship. He was on Arkansas All State Baseball Team. He graduated from The University of Arkansas in 1960 with a Juris Doctor Degree. He then joined the American Mutual Insurance Company and then retired from the company. His love of golf began in law school and continued until Parkinson's took it away from him. He loved the Razorbacks, but after his son went to Florida and his son-in-law graduated from Florida, he became a huge Gator fan. He loved sports and watched all the Magic games and loved the Bucs. Jerry met his wife, Mary while attending U of A. They were married 55 years and have two children, Cindy Robinson (Dave) and Derek Pennington (Dianne). They have three grandchildren, one great grandchild and two step grandchildren. He has a sister, Carole Sheridan of San Antonio, Texas.

A Memorial Service will be held Friday, September 2 from 10:30 to 11:30 AM at the DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory (Maitland Chapel).

Arrangements are entrusted to DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory 9001 N. Orlando Avenue, Maitland, Florida 32751, 407-695-CARE (2273). Please visit www.degusipefuneralhome.com to leave a special condolence.

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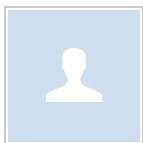


“ I could not have hoped for a better father in law. Jerry was an amazing man and always smiling and happy. The Holidays spent at the Pennington house with Mary and Jerry were such warm and loving times. It was about the closeness of their family and the times we spent together that were the most special. I felt so blessed to have married Derek on March 9, 2001. They say when you marry a man you marry his family and it was surely a blessing. Our son Andrew was born on March 19th, 2004 and Mary and Jerry were so wonderful to him as they were to their other grandchildren. He was a great father, great grandfather and a wonderful great grandfather.



To know Jerry was to love him as so many did. We have so many special memories of him that we will treasure always. You will always be remembered and in our hearts. We love you so very much and I am thankful for the 13 years I knew you and loved you.
You will always be missed.... Dianne Pennington

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“ Mary and Family, My heart goes out to you. My prayer is that God will continue to give you strength to get through your loss. I worked with Mary in Burdines years ago and often thought of she and Jerry. They were an awesome couple.

May God Bless you all!##imported-begin##Evangeline Gilbert-Slaughter##imported-end##

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“ We were deeply saddened by the news of Jerry's passing. His was a life well-lived through the many lives that he touched, and the sorrow he left behind. As you celebrate Jerry's life, may your cherished memories give you peace and strength through this difficult time, and may you find comfort in knowing that his loss is felt by all who knew and loved him. He was a friend who will be missed.

Herb & Teresa Langston##imported-begin##Herb & Teresa Langston##imported-end##

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“ We were very sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. We didn't get to see him often but we really enjoyed him when we did. We know he will be missed and we extend our condolences.

Sarah & Lee##imported-begin##Sarah & Lee##imported-end##

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“ I know Jerry will be missed, but as we all know he is in a better place now & is with our lord. I was only around Jerry & Mary for a few short times, and found that they are very loving people and have enjoyed being around them.##imported-begin##Charlie Divelbiss##imported-end##

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“ Will remember Jerry as a first-class Rook player in Arkansas in the 50's. He was hard to beat.

We will miss him.

Joe & Jeannie McDaniel##imported-begin##Joe
McDaniel##imported-end##

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“ Jerry was a great guy and friend. I learned much from him and felt he was my mentor as well as my manager at American Mutual.##imported-begin##Frank Dent##imported-end##

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“ When my sister Betty & I would visit our sister Mary & brother-in-law Jerry, we would have such good times & Jerry always treated us to so many good meals and fun things to see. We will always remember him with a big smile on his face.....and we will miss him.....

Bonnie McDaniel, Tulsa, OK##imported-begin##Bonnie
McDaniel##imported-end##

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“ We have fond memories of Jerry as a neighbor when our "kids" were growing up together, as a golfing buddy, and during the past few years our fun lunch dates filled with laughter.##imported-begin##Joe and Lyn Rogers##imported-end##

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“ Jerry took a chance and hired me in 1977. He was my first manager in the industry and came to be a very good friend. We had some great times ... fishing trip, Gator games, poker nights and golf. He is missed! -- Alton & Liz###imported-begin##Alton###imported-end##

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“ There can be no greater epitaph for any man than that "He was a good man". I wanted to be among the first to say that of Jerry. He was a good son, husband, father and friend. He will always have a spot in my heart.###imported-begin##Bob Payne###imported-end##

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“ I was very sorry to hear about his passing. Â Jerry Pennington was a great man and I really had a lot of respect for him. Â Being best friends with Derek throughout high school, I spent a lot of time at the Pennington house. With all of the time I spent there, I really had come to think of him as a second father. Â When I think back about all I learned form him, it was quite significant:

â€¢ He taught me how to Bass fish, and how to filet a fish

â€¢ He also taught me how to drive a boat and introduced to the beauty of the St. John's river, which lead to my love of power boating

â€¢ He took me to my first pro football game (Bucs) - and taught me how to yell at the TV set when I couldn't be there in person.

â€¢ He taught me how to play golf which grew into a love for that sport as well

â€¢ He taught me some good Arkansas phrases, like "Cold Drinks" (Soda), and "Turkey" (pretty much anybody in the room)

â€¢ He always showed sincere love, affection, and respect for his wife Mary, and was a true role model for me as a husband and father.

â€¢ Finally, he taught me to always go through life with a smile on my face

I'm sad I didn't get to see him much after high school, but his memory will stay alive in me forever.##imported-begin##Jed Deame##imported-end##

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“ To Mary and families: Cousins did not always get to see much of each other when we were growing up. He was at college and my brother Ronnie, his sister Carole and I were still in High School (Jay Pennington clan was in California all this time). Remember when they became in gaged....Mary was so pretty and sweet...and Jerry was happy, happy with that wide grin of his. Loved him, admired him and always wished that we lived closer to them. May God Bless you all and keep you in His Loving arms.

He is with Uncle Elmer/Aunt Louise, Uncle Bill,
and the rest of the Pennington clan. Now they are our
angels.....Love and hugs...xxoo

Vicki Pennington Smith and Aaron Smith##imported-begin##Vickie
Pennington/Smith & Aaron Smith##imported-end##

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“ We all will miss Jerry very much. He is with God now. No pain and showing our Lord how to play baseball and golf. ha Mary and family has been his rock for so many years. Jerry was a loving and happy man and a great nephew. May God comfort you all in this time sorrow..now he is your angel watching over you all. Love in Christ,
Uncle Jay##imported-begin##Uncle J.H. Pennington##imported-end##

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