



## Larry Lee Pressly

July 8, 1939 - March 20, 2011

Larry Lee Pressly, 71, of Laurel, died on March 20, 2011, at South Central Regional Medical Center after a lengthy illness. Mr. Pressly was born in Jonesboro, Arkansas and attended Blessed Sacrament School. He graduated from Jonesboro High School and attended Austin Peay State University. He served four years in the US Air Force where he corresponded with a young lady for 3 years while he was abroad. Upon discharge he finally met and married his pen pal of three years, Linda Wuersch, in 1965. Larry and Linda were blessed with two children.

His lifelong career in the retail business included every facet of management: buying, personnel, advertising and new store set up. He retired from Hudson's Salvage in 2005. Larry was a member of the VFW and a fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus.

His most fulfilling role in life in addition to being a good father, good husband and friend was serving his church family as a deacon. Completing four years of study and prayer Larry was ordained a deacon in the Diocese of Biloxi and assigned to Immaculate Conception Church in Laurel. He performed a variety of duties with two of his favorites being teaching religion at I C School and Assisting at the Hispanic Mass each week. Through self study, classes and CDs he became literate in Spanish and formed many friendships in the Hispanic community.

He will be remembered for his wonderful sense of humor and enjoyment of his family and friends. He loved bringing a smile to someone with his "groaners"

or corny jokes.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Ross Clark Pressly and Clara Momany Pressly; and brother, Billy Pressly, all of Jonesboro. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Linda Wuersch Pressly; a daughter, Laura (Phil) Graham of Laurel; a son, Jason Ross Pressly of Gulfport. Also surviving a brother, Bob (Debbie) Pressly of Laurel, sister, Betty (Don) Pulford of Jonesboro; sister-in-law, Vicki (Lee) Hammons of Picayune; and brother-in-law, Michael (Rebecca) Wuersch of Laurel. Two beautiful granddaughters added much zest of his life, Virginia Anne Pressly of Meridian and Alyssa Dare Graham of Laurel.

Numerous other relatives celebrate his life, cousins, nephews, nieces and great niece and great nephews.

Visitation will be held from 5 until 8 pm Tuesday, March 22nd at Memory Chapel with the Rosary at 7 pm. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 am Wednesday, March 23rd at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Officiating will be the most Reverend Roger P. Morin with Priest and Deacons of the Diocese of Biloxi. Pallbearers will be Matthew Pressly, Nicholas Pressly and the Knights of Columbus with burial in Lake Park Hills Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Immaculate Conception Hispanic Ministry or the charity of your choice.

Memory Chapel of Laurel will be in charge of the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

GH

“ *Laura and Family, While I have no personal memories of your daddy, I do have memories of the love you have expressed regarding your family. I know how much you loved and greatly respected your father. In reading his obituary, I see where you got your humor. One of your greatest gifts! You both have used it to be a bright spot in those of us that surely do not take it for granite. May all of your hearts heal thinking of the laughter he left in your memories out of his love for you and everyone he touched.*  
*Sincerely, Grace Herring*

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**Grace Herring** - March 26, 2011 at 09:34 PM

JG

“ *Betty, I am so sorry to hear about the death of your brother. My prayers are with you and your family.*

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**June Gulley** - March 25, 2011 at 07:04 PM

MB

“ *So sorry I couldn't make it for the funeral. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Pressly family.*

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**matt burnett** - March 23, 2011 at 01:43 PM

CB

“ *Mrs. Linda, I am am so sorry. You, Laura, Jason and the entire family will be in my thoughts and prayers!!!!*

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**Cynthia Temple Bush** - March 23, 2011 at 12:24 PM

PL

“ *Laura just wanted you to know again how sorry I am for the loss of your dad. My prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Patty Lee** - March 23, 2011 at 12:56 AM

RE

“ *We will miss Larry very much. He meant so much to us. He was such a comfort to others, now he rests in the arms of God being comforted.*  
*God Bless you all.*

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**Rhonda and Steve Eick** - March 22, 2011 at 03:35 PM

TQ

“ *I was so saddened to hear of Larry's passing. Over the past few years I had the pleasure of getting to know a love Larry very much. We worked a Cursillo weekend together and he also got my father and me to attend the annual Manresa retreats. My father and I will both miss him very much.*  
*Sincerely,*  
*Thomas Quave*

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**Thomas Quave** - March 22, 2011 at 02:50 PM

RS

“ *To the Pressly Family*  
*Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Mr. Larry will be greatly missed by us. I came to know Mr Larry when he was at Laurelwood and he became very good friends with my daughter Rebekah and she would visit him when she was home then when she moved home each time she went with me to work she would go and set and talk with him for hours.*

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**Rhona Saucier** - March 22, 2011 at 02:44 PM

MB

“ Jason, Laura and families. Our sincerest condolences on the loss of your father. Though we never met him, we heard many wonderful stories and know that he was an amazing man. In this time of grief, may you hold onto the precious years of memories and know that he is finally at peace and healthy again and will forever be watching down on you as one of God's angels. Our thoughts and prayers are with you always.

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**Melissa Seccariccia and Decarus Bennett** - March 22, 2011 at 12:33 PM

FD

“ Well done good and faithful servant. May he rest in eternal peace.

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**Franchelle Daniels** - March 22, 2011 at 11:58 AM

CH

“ Linda, Bob, Debbie and Families. My Thoughts and Prayers Are With You In Your Time of Sorrow. Larry Was a Special Christian Man and Heaven Is His Just Reward. It's Our Joy To Know that "In Our Father's House Are Many Mansions!! May You Feel God's Sweet Peace and Comfort and Know That Others Truly Care and Stand With You In Your Loss. Prayerfully, Charles Hudson

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**Charles Hudson** - March 22, 2011 at 08:29 AM

AH

“ Larry Lee Pressly

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**Ashley Hutchins** - March 21, 2011 at 07:42 PM

MC

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family during this difficult time. May you cherish all the wonderful memories.  
Mike and Mary Cook

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**Mary Cook** - March 21, 2011 at 04:56 PM