Javis Moose Arey

May 14, 1928 - September 1, 2020

Javis Moose Arey, 92, of Salisbury, loving husband, father, and grandfather passed away September 1, 2020.

He was born on May 14, 1928 in Lexington, NC to Bruce Deal and Dera Moose Arey. Javis graduated from Boyden High School in 1945 and Catawba College in 1949 with a degree in business administration. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War. On June 14, 1959 he married Martha (Mott) Honeycutt. He owned and operated Arey's Texaco for 41 years. Javis was also a licensed realtor and land developer.

He was a lifetime member of First United Church of Christ, where he served on the Church Council, and as Trustee of the Foundation Committee. Javis was a member of the Civitan Club of Salisbury, a Master Mason of the Andrew Jackson Masonic Lodge #576, and a member of the Rowan County Shrine Club. He also served on Nazareth Children's Home Board of Directors for many years and as Treasurer. Javis loved to travel, hunt, and spend time at Holden Beach. He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, children Todd Arey (Patti) of Ponte Vedra Beach, FL, Drew Arey (Beth) of Salisbury, and Jann Gerock (Todd) of High Point, grandchildren Hunter Arey, Cydney Jordan (Blake), Cutter Arey, Jay and Lauren Gerock; sisters Sara Jean Propst of Salisbury, Elizabeth Burton of Raleigh, and Barbara Beck (Norman) of Rockwell.

There will be a private family service with Military Honors by the NC National Guard.

Memorials may be made to Nazareth Children's Home, 725 Crescent Road, Rockwell, NC 28138 and Shriners Hospitals for Children, 950 West Faris Road, Greenville, SC 29605.

Javis will be remembered for his love and devotion to his family and service to his community. He demonstrated generosity, humility, and compassion for others. The family would like to extend their deepest gratitude to the staff at Metrolina Nephrology Associates of Salisbury, Trinity Oaks, and the Glenn A. Kiser Hospice House for their loving care.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Arey family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall

WF

We are praying for the Arey Family during their time of grief.

Wanda and George Foil - September 10, 2020 at 04:26 PM

RP

My deepest sympathy to Mott and the entire Arey family. Memories of knowing Javis are many and will forever be cherished. God bless and my best to all.
Ray Paradowski

Ray Paradowski - September 10, 2020 at 02:04 PM

BL

Mrs. Arey I am sending prayers for you - for peace, comfort and rest. You do not know me very well - I am Sonny and Nancy Lippard's niece Becky. I remember meeting you and your husband and immediately felt that I knew you. Each time after that I was greeted with smiles and handshakes. Your husband lived his faith and treated everyone the same. I'm sure he was welcomed into heaven with a smile and handshake as well.

Becky Lippard - September 10, 2020 at 12:38 PM

DD

Mr. Arey was truly one of the kindest gentlemen I have ever known. He always greeted friends and neighbors with a warm, embracing smile and hand shake, engaging conversation and was genuinely interested in the well-being of others.

Mrs Arey, Todd, Drew and Jann, it was a privilege to have known him and am sure Heaven is a little brighter this day as he is reunited with friends and loved ones who crossed over before him!

May God bless all of you during this time and always.

David Duke - September 05, 2020 at 08:17 AM

EF

Javis served the community and Civitan well, along with many brother Civitans back in "the golden days". I'm sure he's getting a great heavenly Civitan welcome from the likes of my Dad, and Chubb Richards, and Harold Isenberg, and other notorious tie-cutters and people-persons.
Thank you, Lord, for the life that your servant Javis shared with us, with Salisbury, and with so very many people. Thank you that as he touched us, our lives are richer and happier.
the Peace of Christ to his family.

Eric Faust

Eric Faust - September 04, 2020 at 11:29 AM

LR

My wife Joann and I from Puerto Rico, wish to express our sorrow and condolences to the Arey Family. May his soul rest in peace. We pray that in this difficult time, God will provide strength and courage to bear with the loss of a wonderful father. Through his son Todd we can tell he passed his kindness and love to his family. God bless his soul and his family.

Luis Rodriguez - September 04, 2020 at 10:51 AM

Christana Hunter-Thompson

3 years ago I met this very respectful sir, Mr. Jay at Trinty Oaks. He always had a smile and a quick word of encouragement for me and others. One of THE most respectful men I've ever come across in my life time. Thank you for always making me smile. It was a pleasure meeting you and your beautiful wife Mrs. Martha and your family. You will be missed tremendously. 💞💞

Christana Hunter-Thompson - September 03, 2020 at 02:02 PM

AK

I have to echo what everyone has said about Mr. Arey, he was one of the kindest people you will ever meet. He always greeted me at church and had a big smile and a story. I think he probably did a lot of kind acts that no one knew about except maybe his wife. My parents, and by extension, me, were recipients. He was a pillar of First United Church of Christ and the Salisbury community, and treated everyone equally. He will be missed by so many people. My love and prayers are with the Arey family.

Anne Kennedy - September 03, 2020 at 10:07 AM

RM

To Mrs. Mott Arey, Todd, Drew and Jan. Javis was one of the kindest people that our family was ever acquainted with. My father, William Litaker worked with Javis for as long as I can remember and what made Javis so special and set him apart from anyone else was that contagious smile. He always had a moment to stop and speak and check on everyone no matter how busy he was. I was a little girl then but I grew up as a strong woman because people like Javis Arey was a great influence in my life and so many others. I can only imagine now that he is with his loving parents and sharing those stories with them about his wonderful loving family. God has a special mission for a man of his caliber and although he will be missed dearly, he will never ever be forgotten. So today, my heart is heavy and as I take time to reflect and look at our world as it is today with all of the chaos and raging storms, I think about Javis Arey and the calmness that he had about him always remembering that God is in control and we are here but only for a little while. God Bless You All and I send my deepest sympathy and my heartfelt love to the entire Arey family.

Ramona Kay Litaker Meehan
Concord, NC

Ramona Kay Litaker Meehan - September 03, 2020 at 09:40 AM

MS

Family reunions will not be the same without Javis. He was such a warm and friendly face. I enjoyed his stories of the past. Javis reached out with such care and concern for my Dad when he fell this year. What a wonderful caring encouraging man. I'm so very sorry for your loss.

Marilyn Starkey - September 03, 2020 at 09:39 AM

Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Javis Moose Arey.

September 03, 2020 at 04:09 AM

SW

My deepest sympathy to the family. Mr. Arey was a kind and decent man.

Shirley wilks - September 03, 2020 at 12:52 AM

BB

J. W. And I have enjoyed getting to know Jay here at Trinity Oaks and he will be missed. He was such a genteel southern gentleman. Rest In Peace.

To Mot and the family , we send our deepest sympathy.

J. W. And Bobbie Ann Brown

Bobbie Ann Yarborough Brown - September 02, 2020 at 05:58 PM