



Captain Malcolm Fitts

January 2, 1946 - December 18, 2020

Malcolm Henry Fitts, 74, passed away December 18, 2020.

A native of Greenville County, son of the late Henry Marion and Ruby Marcelle Farmer Fitts, he was a retired firefighter from Lake Cunningham Fire Department and was a member of Oneal Baptist Church. Captain Fitts served the Lake Cunningham citizens from 1977 – 2011. He was most known for his unlit cigar he chewed on most of the day. He would only light the cigar when a truck needed repair. Captain Fitts was the first full-time firefighter of the department. Malcolm volunteered with the department prior to his career start which began on November 5, 1967. He served a total of 44 years with the department.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth Bridges Fitts of the home; one daughter, Joy D. Smith (David) of Greer; one brother, Olin Fitts (Cecil) of Greer; three sisters, Frances Barnette of Greer, Pat Dobson (Rainey) of Taylors and Ruby Golightly of Inman; two grandchildren, Glenda Paige Smith and Makaila Grace Smith; several nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and great-great nieces and nephews; and numerous special friends.

He was also predeceased by one sister, Melissa Searcy.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 22, 2020 at The Wood Mortuary, conducted by Rev. Justin Anderson, Rev. Joe Seay and Rev. Wayne Davis, with webcasting available at www.thewoodmortuary.com. Burial will follow in Mount Lebanon Baptist Church Cemetery.

The family will greet friends Tuesday following the committal service at the

cemetery.

The members of the Lake Cunningham Fire Department will serve as pallbearers and honorary escort.

The family is at their respective homes.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Cancer Society of Greenville County, 113 Mills Ave., Greenville, SC 29605.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Mount Lebanon Baptist Church Cemetery

572 Mt. Lebanon Church Road
Greer, SC 29651

Previous Events

Service

DEC **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

THE WOOD MORTUARY CHAPEL
300 West Poinsett Street
Greer, SC 29650
(864) 877-3351
woodmortuary@bellsouth.net

Tribute Wall



“ *The Wood Mortuary created a Webcast in memory of Captain Malcolm Fitts*



The Wood Mortuary - December 22, 2020 at 12:17 PM

TH

I was the 2nd hired fireman. Mack was one of the best firefighters I've ever know. He was a great friend. We did a lot of things together in the 70's. R.I.P. brother.

Tommy Hollaway - February 25, 2021 at 03:27 PM

Terry
Howard

“ *It breaks my heart to hear of the passing of Mac. I am blessed to have worked with him for a short time at Lake Cunningham Fire Department and trust me no one could work or drive those trucks better than Mac. Rest in Peace my friend.*

Terry Howard - December 28, 2020 at 01:16 AM

JH

“ *Jeff Harvey lit a candle in memory of Captain Malcolm Fitts*



Jeff Harvey - December 22, 2020 at 11:15 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Captain Malcolm Fitts.*



December 22, 2020 at 04:52 AM



“ *One of nicest and kindness men I have had the privilege of knowing. Mac could make a complete stranger feel welcome anywhere, anytime.*

Tom Johnson - December 21, 2020 at 10:05 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Captain Malcolm Fitts.*



December 21, 2020 at 07:36 PM



“ *Mac and Ruth started out as neighbors who became friends, I loved going over for coffee and listening to his story's. He was a Great Man who honestly cared about people and Loved God and his family. I will never forget what you guys did for me. I love you both and Mac I will miss you.
Fly High my friend*

Angel - December 20, 2020 at 10:32 AM

CD

“ *Carol Duncan lit a candle in memory of Captain Malcolm Fitts*



Carol Duncan - December 20, 2020 at 10:24 AM

JO

“ *Daddy, I miss you and love you! You were the best Daddy ever. Love. JOY*

Joy - December 20, 2020 at 04:54 AM

JO

“ *Joy lit a candle in memory of Captain Malcolm Fitts*



Joy - December 20, 2020 at 04:52 AM

MG

“ Mac was a good friend. Have known him all my life. We went to Oneal School together. Have been going to church together for many years. He was always wanting to do for the church, until he got sick. Love all the fish fries we used to have, boy he would really get into that. He is in Heaven now with no more sickness or pain. Will be celebrating his first Christmas in Heaven with his other friends, and family members. We are going to miss you , but I know you would not want to come back here, and you would want all your friends, and love ones to meet you in Heaven.



MARTHA r GODFREY - December 19, 2020 at 10:06 PM

JE

“ Jeff Eldridge lit a candle in memory of Captain Malcolm Fitts



jeff eldridge - December 19, 2020 at 08:37 PM

JO

“ I love you and miss you Daddy. Love Joy.

Joy - December 19, 2020 at 05:15 PM

RP

“ So sorry for your loss. Your famliy is in our prayers. Patsy & Rainie Dobson, Ronda and Thomas ponder, Leanne and Robert. Tammy and David Stokes

Ronda Gibson ponder - December 19, 2020 at 04:49 PM

EL

“ I remember when I was young and I would ride with uncle Mack and Ruth and joy, to see Ruth’s mother when she was alive, and joy would be acting up and uncle Mack would get on to her, if she didn’t stop he would lean back and bite down on his cigar and pop joy so she would straighten up or he would pull over,her never had to stop the car,I don’t know if Joy could remember this or not but I do, I love you Uncle Mack, you will be missed.
Elaine

Elaine - December 19, 2020 at 04:29 PM

CW

“ It was an honor to get to know Capt Mac Fitts during the time I was at Lake Cunningham as volunteer firefighter and we would cut up and joke around and he always had the unlit cigar in his mouth and he could cook the best crackling cornbread and pinto beans while on shift. But the main thing Mac had was Jesus and you could tell it and it showed cause he would do whatever to make you happy or try to help people that were in need not only serving at Lake Cunningham but he would give you the shirt off his back because that was the kind of person he was . Joy and family I'm very sorry for the passing of Mac and I'm looking forward to the day we will see him again. Rest Easy Mac Lake Cunningham will take the reigns from here .



Chris Wilson - December 19, 2020 at 04:27 PM