



Earnest Edward Pitts

June 29, 1951 - August 8, 2025

Mr. Earnest Pitts, Sr., the beloved son of the late Willie Frank and Rosa Lee Pitts, began his earthly journey on June 29, 1951, in Union Springs, Alabama.

Faith was an essential component of Earnest's life, and he accepted Christ at an early age. His trust in the Lord led him to worship with Miracle Revival Temple where he attended faithfully. He was educated in the Anniston City School System and was a member of the Cobb Avenue High School class of 1969. His unwavering work ethic eventually guided him to gainful employment at the Anniston Army Depot where he retired in 2013 with over thirty years of service.

In 2001, Earnest married his soulmate, Jeannette Pitts, whom he loved dearly. This union created an abundance of love that they shared with each of their children. A true family man, Earnest cherished his wife, Jeannette, and took immense pride in his children and grandchildren. His gentle yet firm guidance made him a mentor to many young men, as he took joy in teaching them the ways of the world, sharing lessons on life, work, and the importance of helping others. Earnest's passions extended beyond the home. He was an avid hunter and a fan of racing cars and motorcycles. He was a passionate fan of the Auburn University Tigers and eagerly cheered his team through wins and losses.

On Friday, August 8, 2025, in the comfort of his home, Earnest E. Pitts, Sr. completed his earthly journey and entered eternal rest. He was preceded in death by his parents, Willie Frank and Rosa Lee Pitts; siblings, Willie Frank Pitts, Jr., Gloria Tyus, Thelma Pitts, Fedrick Pitts, and Robert Pitts; stepdaughter, Deona Houston; granddaughter Tonya Burton McGowan; and aunt, Jimmie Broadnax.

His precious memories will forever be treasured by his loving wife, Jeannette Pitts; children, Reginald Pitts, Ernest E. (Rosetta) Pitts, Jr., and Shandrika (Donte) Carlisle; stepchildren, Suandria Houston and Lamario (Maisah) Houston; grandchildren, Reyanna Pitts, Donte Craft, Amoni Pitts, Amon Pitts, Clamerion Smith, Donte Carlisle, Jr., Jaquae Holmes, Delani Houston, Mia Houston, Morgan Houston, Arrow Vonne Oqueli, and Marcia Jackson; great-grandchildren, Dez-riah Spaulding and Rose Houston; sister, Fannie Mae Wayne; and a host of other family members and friends.

As we gather, we remember Earnest not just for the life he lived, but for the legacy of love and mentorship. While we will miss him dearly, we take comfort in the memories and lessons he shared.

Cemetery Details

Maple Grove Cemetery

3865 US Highway 431
Anniston, AL 36206

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG **15.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Homes and Crematory- Anniston
830 Noble Street
Anniston, AL 36201

Celebration of Life

AUG **16.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church
1130 W 14th St
Anniston, AL 36201

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earnest Edward Pitts.*



August 15, 2025 at 09:12 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Earnest Edward Pitts.

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PF

“ *Pitts Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Earnest Edward Pitts.*



Pitts Family - August 15, 2025 at 09:16 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earnest Edward Pitts.*



August 15, 2025 at 06:27 AM



“ *Shandrika,
Sending my condolences you & your brothers in the loss of your father. You have my empathy, prayers and love.
Meloney Thomas Ashford*

Meloney Ashford - August 14, 2025 at 11:05 PM

SM

“ *Sandra McGill purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Earnest Edward Pitts.*



Sandra McGill - August 14, 2025 at 06:12 PM

JP

“ To Jeanette and the entire Pitts Family which I'm also a part of. I'm so Sorry for your Loss, Ernest (Sunny Boy) as my husband and I Affectionately called him. He was a True Gentleman and his Kindness Touched so many Lives and his Presence will be Greatly Missed. Jacquelyn Johnson -Pitts. Winter Haven FL.

JACQUELYN S PITTS - August 14, 2025 at 02:11 PM

KF

“ Condolences to the Pitts and Carlisle Family

Kendra Ferrell

Kendra Ferrell - August 14, 2025 at 12:08 AM

ME

“ Martha and Marial Ellis purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of Earnest Edward Pitts.



Martha and Marial Ellis - August 13, 2025 at 08:38 PM

MG

“ My prayers and condolences to the family! Rest well Brother Pitts.
You will missed!

Mary Grier - August 13, 2025 at 08:19 PM

CH

Sis, I'm so sorry for your loss. My condolences to you, your brothers,
and the entire family. Love you! 💕💚

Cathleen Hearst - August 14, 2025 at 07:24 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earnest Edward Pitts.*



August 13, 2025 at 03:58 PM



“ *Sending Deepest Condolences to the Family!! God is a rewarder of those who diligently seek him.*

Teresa Glover - August 12, 2025 at 01:02 PM



Ladi & Dianne Banjo send their sincere condolences to the entire family during this difficult time of loss. Weeping may endure for a night but joy comes in the morning. Rest In Eternal Peace Ernest, we will meet again 🙏

Ladi and Dianne Banjo - August 13, 2025 at 03:55 PM



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Ladi and Dianne Banjo Lawrenceville GA - August 13, 2025 at 03:59 PM



“ *The Golightly Family purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Earnest Edward Pitts.*



The Golightly Family - August 11, 2025 at 10:36 PM

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“ *The Golightly Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Earnest Edward Pitts.*

The Golightly Family - August 11, 2025 at 10:36 PM