



## Bennie Denton

February 25, 1927 - October 24, 2021

DENTON – Bennie Leonard Denton, age 94 of Loganville, GA, passed away on Sunday, October 24, 2021. A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, October 28, 2021 at First Baptist Church of Monroe. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church. Bennie served his country honorably in the United States Coast Guard and the United States Merchant Marines. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Bennie was a member of First Baptist Church of Monroe where he served as a Deacon and was known as the “Candy Man” because he always had Life Savers candy in his pocket. He played Santa for over 17 years, mainly at the Blue Willow Inn in Social Circle, but also at churches, schools, libraries, and personal homes. Bennie volunteered for the American Red Cross for 20 years. He was preceded in death by his son, Lloyd Wayne Denton; parents, Lester and Mildred Grace (Oehlert) Denton and sister, Sharon DeSalvo. Surviving are his loving wife of 75 years, Billie Jean (Smith) Denton of Loganville, GA; son, Keith Denton of Hudson, WI; daughter-in-law, Janet Denton of Buford, GA; sister, Kay Lay of Parker, CO; grandchildren, Serena Rumfelt, Benjamin Denton, Gina Tipton, Natasha Qualls, Tonya Campbell, Megan Reid, Christen Devaney, great-grandchildren and many well-loved nieces, nephews, family and friends. The family will not be accepting flowers. They have requested instead that donations be made in Bennie’s memory to F.I.S.H., P.O. Box 1838, Monroe, GA 30655.

Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 209 South Hammond Drive,

Monroe, GA 30655. 770-267-2594. You may sign the online guest registry at [www.stewartfh.com](http://www.stewartfh.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Monroe  
Monroe, GA

## memorial service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *My very late condolences on your loss.*

*I was just searching the ships names that my Dad served on in the Merchant Marine and found Bennie's interviews on [witnessstowar.org](http://witnessstowar.org). My father also served on the Buntline Hitch and was to Iceland on her. So it appears he may have been on that same trip recounted by Bennie.*

*Kind Regards,*

*Pete MacMahon  
Mohnton, PA*

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**Pete MacMahon** - January 21, 2025 at 12:47 PM



“ *Bennie Denton*

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October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *My mom, Lorre Manahan, and Mr. Bennie had the same birthday, month day and year! They had a great time bantering back-and-forth about that. My parents thought a lot of Mr. Bennie and Miss Billie while they were at White Oak Baptist Church. Praying for the peace that passes all understanding!*

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**Pamela Mitchell** - October 26, 2021 at 11:13 PM

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“ *Billie Jean and family, I am so sorry you have lost this special man. I have so many fond memories of him. Each of you will be in my thoughts the days to follow. I am just sorry I cannot be there with you. Always know, I love each of you.*  
*Marilyn in Colorado*

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**Marilyn Barrett** - October 26, 2021 at 05:04 PM

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“ *A great man! Nothing else can be said but he was a great man!*  
*Lamar Steele*

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**Lamar Steele** - October 26, 2021 at 02:49 PM