



Richard Matthew Pitts

October 17, 1962 - July 30, 2025

Richard Matthew Pitts, age 62, passed away on Wednesday, July 30, 2025. In lieu of flowers, we ask for donations to The Gideons International (<https://gideons.org>). Richard desired to walk daily with the Lord, by the Spirit, redeemed by Christ's death on the cross. He has entered into eternal life with Christ for the age to come. Richard was preceded in death by his father, Jerry Pitts; his grandmother, Deltrice Marshall; and his great-great-grandparents, John Lee and Nell Spencer Jerrolds. Richard leaves behind his loving family which includes his wife LaDonna (Kolb) Pitts, Lawrenceville, GA; mother, Jane Earl Pitts, Savannah, TN; children, Amanda and Logan Hunter, Lake Wylie, SC; Emily Pitts and Matt Hall, Seattle, WA; Spencer Pitts, Sandy Springs, GA; sister, Deborah Russell, Savannah, TN; half-sister, Sherry Franks, Bath Springs, TN.

Richard was strong in his faith and active in his church and community. He was a children's Bible teacher for 35 years in TN and GA, held multiple church administrative roles, and was a leader and treasurer for the Boy Scouts of America for 12 years. Richard loved spreading God's word and sharing his experiences through writing Christian devotionals. He has authored four devotional books and published three. He was passionate about working with computer systems and automobiles. He was last employed as an engineer with Vantiva, he had an extensive history of employment which includes Jerrolds' Ace Hardware; TTU, DuPont in Nashville, TN and Laplace, LA; GA Tech; Rockwell, Scientific Research Corp; Boeing; Glenayre; Scientific

Atlanta; Cisco; and Technicolor. A visitation will be held from 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM on Sunday, August 3, 2025, at Shackelford Funeral Directors, 450 Church Street, Savannah, Tennessee. A graveside service will follow at 2:00 PM, at Jerrolds Family Cemetery, the eastern junction of Hwy 64 and Old Town Loop in Savannah, Tennessee. There will be a celebration of life service on Saturday at 2:00 PM, August 9, 2025, at Norcross First Global Methodist Church, 2500 Beaver Ruin Rd, Norcross, GA. For we have this treasure in jars of clay (which crack and chip and break) to show they the power is from God and not ourselves ... we look to the unseen, not the seen, for what is seen is temporary (from our hands, to our lands, to our land) and what is unseen is eternal ... 2 Cor 4:7-5:12, in his words. Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 300 Simonton Road SW, Lawrenceville, GA 30046. 770-962-3100. Please sign the online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation/Wake

AUG 3. 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Shackelford Funeral Home
450 Church Street
Savannah, TN 38372

Graveside

AUG 3. 2:00 PM (CT)

Jerrols Family Cemetery
Eastern Junction of Hwy 64 and Old Town Loop
Savannah, TN

Celebration of Life

AUG 9. 2:00 PM (ET)

Norcross First Global Methodist Church
2500 Beaver Ruin Road
Norcross, GA 30071

Tribute Wall

KJ

“ I am very sad to hear about Richard’s passing.

Richard was always so kind and calm, no matter the situation. His great experience and his willingness to help and share his knowledge made him a very special colleague. He was a true fighter, both in his work and in his long battle with illness. I could always count on him, and I will never forget his support and friendship.

I will deeply miss him.

My thoughts are with his family and loves ones.

Kevin (Vantiva)

Kevin Le Jannic - August 16, 2025 at 02:49 AM

LE

“ I had been working with Richard for few months only. He was really kind, supportive and helped me stepping up into my new position.

All the Vantiva Product Security Team and wider Vantiva business will miss him. He had a deep knowledge in our domain of expertise and was always a great support while we were facing incidents. He brought clarity and confidence that helped us solving issues...

To his family and his relatives, please receive all my sympathy in this difficult period.

Laurent Estezet - August 12, 2025 at 08:42 AM

JM

“ I'm going to miss seeing you smile.



Jennifer Mathis - August 08, 2025 at 09:13 PM

BK

“ I will miss Richard's presence and kindness. He was always willing to help and point me in the right direction. I wish strength and peace to his family who is affected by this loss.

Bernard Kiriakos (Vantiva)

Bernard Kiriakos - August 07, 2025 at 06:41 PM

SU

“ I am deeply saddened by the passing of Richard. Please accept my heartfelt condolences during this difficult time.

Richard was not only a valued colleague but also a kind and thoughtful person who made a lasting impact on all of us. I fondly remember how he always brought calm and clarity during challenging discussions, his insights and quiet strength were truly appreciated. His presence will be greatly missed, and our thoughts are with the family and loved ones.

Wishing strength and peace to everyone affected by this loss.

Subhasis (Vantiva, India)

Subhasis - August 05, 2025 at 08:56 AM

AN

“ *Richard was a kind, generous and wonderful person with a big heart and a beautiful soul. He was not only a valued colleague but also a kind and thoughtful presence in our workplace. He will be missed dearly. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and all who were fortunate to know him.*

Ali Negahdar

Ali Negahdar - August 04, 2025 at 03:27 PM

CH

“ *I'm deeply saddened by the loss of Richard. We will miss him, always kind and dedicated.*

With sympathy,

Chiara (Vantiva's colleague, Italy)

Chiara - August 04, 2025 at 10:11 AM

VS

“ *I am really saddened by his demise of Richard Pitts. My sincere condolences to his family members and friends. Richard Pitts is a very nice hearted person with helping tendency always.*

I learnt a lot in the work atmosphere in the past 3 years. He is very active committed to his work and has a very good knowledge on the expectation from the business. I truly miss his guidance and the fun he share at the work place. I pray for his soul to rest in peace.

Vedaraman Sethuraman (Vantiva)

vedaraman sethuraman - August 04, 2025 at 05:09 AM

AG

“ I am truly saddened to hear of Richard's departure, and my deepest condolences go out to his family and friends. I have been very fortunate to work with Richard over the past few years, and we miss his commitment at every moment, his expertise and his great benevolence. All my thoughts to you, Aurélie Garec

Aurélie Garec - August 03, 2025 at 10:33 AM

LW

“ Lisa Webb lit a candle in memory of Richard Matthew Pitts



Lisa Webb - August 02, 2025 at 08:51 PM

AW

“ Allen Webb lit a candle in memory of Richard Matthew Pitts



Allen Webb - August 02, 2025 at 08:49 PM

AW

“ We send our thoughts & sympathy to your family for your loss. We love your family & we loved Richard so dearly. Truly a great Christian man. Our families have enjoyed so many great times - camping, Boy Scouts outing, PRHS Band, & other fellowship. We love you all and we send our deepest prayers for healing. God Bless. The Webb's (Lisa, Allen, Amy, & Daniel)

Allen Webb - August 02, 2025 at 12:44 PM

TA

“ *The Webbs (Allen, Lisa, Daniel, & Amy) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Matthew Pitts.*

The Webbs (Allen, Lisa, Daniel, & Amy) - August 01, 2025 at 04:01 PM

TA

“ *The Webbs (Allen, Lisa, Daniel, & Amy) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard Matthew Pitts.*



The Webbs (Allen, Lisa, Daniel, & Amy) - August 01, 2025 at 04:01 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard Matthew Pitts.*



August 01, 2025 at 12:17 PM