



Pastor Billy Wayne Morris

September 20, 1939 - January 31, 2024

Beloved Pastor/Evangelist Billy Wayne Morris ascended to heaven to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on January 31, 2024.

Along with his sister Gail Hitchcock, who preceded him in death, Billy enjoyed a lively childhood in Bessemer, Alabama. His parents, the late Van Cecil and Dovie (Hallman) Morris were proud of all his achievements, including playing football for Bessemer High School where he graduated in 1957, attending the University of Alabama and serving six years in the US Marine Corps Reserves.

Billy and his wife Gaye Jennings Morris of Hueytown, Alabama recently celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary. Over the first decade of their marriage, they had three children, Cindy Morris Chapman (Mike), Alesia Morris Sutherland, Van Morris (Jamy).

Billy was active in the lives of his grandchildren, Nathan McCollum (Natalie), Curry Chapman, Max Chapman (Shauna), Natalie Harris (Chance), Kaylen Morris, and the late Norman McCollum.

Later in life he was gifted the opportunity to relax and enjoy his 6 great grandchildren.

Serving 58 years in the ministry, Brother Billy Evangelistic missions took him to many countries, including Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Greece, Haiti, Tanzania,

and over 25 visits to Israel.

Brother Billy pastored several churches, including Glen Addie Baptist, Anniston, AL, College Park Baptist, Mobile, AL, Center Hill Baptist, Hamilton, MS, 32 years at Pinetucky Baptist, Micaville, AL, along with other churches in Alabama and Louisiana.

A celebration of life will be held Sunday, February 4, 2024, in the Toby Miller Chapel at Miller Funeral Home in Oxford, Alabama. Visitation will begin at 2:00 p.m. and the service will follow at 3:30 p.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 4. 2:00 AM - 3:30 PM (cst)

Miller Funeral Home
50 Hamric Drive East
Oxford, AL 36203
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

TC

“ Brother Billy married my husband and I in May 2017. I will never forget his chuckle when I told him that my name is important too and asked him to pronounce us “Mr. And Mrs. Brady AND Taylor Carter.” He obliged and, on our wedding day, gave me a quick grin before announcing us just as I had asked. You will be missed Brother Billy

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Taylor Carter - February 08, 2024 at 10:05 PM

WW

“ Billy Wayne led me to the Lord December 11, 1975 while Pastor of College Park Baptist Church. I will always love and remember him!. I give God the glory for allowing this to happen to my life and brought our family together. Praying for Gay and the family. Wayne Wood

Wayne and Elaine Wood - February 04, 2024 at 05:39 PM

DK

“ Donnie Kitchens lit a candle in memory of Pastor Billy Wayne Morris



Donnie Kitchens - February 04, 2024 at 03:11 PM

DK

Bro Billy was a light to many who were blessed to be in his presence. Personally, he was my childhood Pastor, mentor and the most influential "father-figure" in my life. Gaye, Cindy, Alesia, Van, I love you. Heaven is much brighter since Bro.Billy arrived. This is not good-bye, just I'll see you all later

Donnie Kitchens - February 04, 2024 at 03:33 PM

ES

“ Bro. Billy came in the early 1970s, to pastor a near empty church. It didn't stay that way long, I remember times we had to bring in chairs for visitors. I stayed at the Morris home many times, being friends with Cindy. I loved them all and felt welcome. I was 11 then, I've remained close to the family for over 50 years. Bro. Billy was a great influencer, inspirational man, and mentor to many. I haven't seen him in years, but I miss him. I'm praying for you Gaye- I love you dearly, and the family

Erin Sikes - February 04, 2024 at 01:30 PM

JO

“ John lit a candle in memory of Pastor Billy Wayne Morris



John - February 04, 2024 at 12:16 PM

JE

“ John & Sarah Elam light a Candle in Memory of Billy ❤️

John & Sarah Elam - February 04, 2024 at 12:10 PM

JJ

“ Janet Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Pastor Billy Wayne Morris



Janet Johnson - February 03, 2024 at 10:17 PM

Phyllis
Daniel

“ *Phyllis Daniel lit a candle in memory of Pastor Billy Wayne Morris*



Phyllis Daniel - February 03, 2024 at 03:52 PM

Shelia
F.
Milstead

“ *Gay, we are so sorry about Preacher Billy. We ,the whole family got to know you both when Sue was in Trinity for a stroke. Moma always told me when he and you came by to visit with her. Gay,if you ever need anything you just let me know.Mr.Frank Burson knows how to reach me,Shelia Fordham Milstead, the Family of Leatrice Fordham.We will be praying for you and everyone in your family and yall pray for us too.*

Shelia F. Milstead - February 03, 2024 at 03:07 PM

MP

“ *As a teenager I would spend a few weeks every summer visiting my family in the Mobile area. College Park Baptist was a Sunday and Wednesday staple and I have very fond memories of Brother Billy's sermons and his hospitality. His personal testimony had a tremendous impact on me and I thank him for that experience. Rest In Peace and enjoy the eternal afterlife. You are certainly deserving. God bless.*

Mark Peterman - February 03, 2024 at 02:15 PM

AC

“ Like most people who knew Bro. Billy we all have similar stories. He was instrumental in leading my daddy, TomMinor into the ministry. From a small church in the projects of Anniston he began what would be a lifelong friendship. Our families blended and grew up together and that friendship and mentorship never wavered. He baptized me when I was six. Our families spent vacations together and I gained 3 additional siblings through the friendship of our fathers. He was officiating as he witnessed my dad marry me to my true love. He and Gaye were a great comfort when we lost my dad and they lost a friend. What a reunion in heaven there was! What a day of rejoicing at the savior's feet that must have been. Well done my good and faithful servant. I am sure the streets were lined with those who went before by the assistance of this great vehicle of gods promises to us. It is those promises that I lean on now during this earthly loss but what a heavenly party they must be having!

Alice Minor Cole - February 03, 2024 at 12:09 PM

GH

“ Pastor Billy Wayne Morris was my Brother In-Law in Christ for 64 years. But our friendship was a bit longer—the 2nd. Grade at Arlington Elementary School in 1947. I will miss our chats about golf, Alabama football and his Grandchildren and Greats who he loved dearly. RIP, William. I love you!

Gerald & Peggy Hicks.

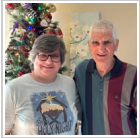
Gerald Hicks - February 02, 2024 at 11:52 PM

SW

“ Steve & Patti Williams lit a candle in memory of Pastor Billy Wayne Morris



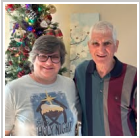
Steve & Patti Williams - February 02, 2024 at 08:40 PM



“ Tammy Parris lit a candle in memory of Pastor Billy Wayne Morris



Tammy Parris - February 02, 2024 at 07:46 PM



“ Bro. Billy was my pastor and dear friend for most of my life at Pinetucky Baptist. He encouraged me many times and advised me when I lost my mom and when my marriage ended. He will be greatly missed but I look forward to seeing him again some day soon in Heaven.

Tammy Parris - February 02, 2024 at 07:45 PM

PP

“ Billy Wayne was not only a pastor but a friend to know him was a blessing. He and his wife Gaye where special people I myself remember him as my pastor from Glenn addie I could always count on him. There are alot of memories but it would take me a live ti.e to share them.He is love by so many and I'll miss him so much . PAM PAYNE

Pamela H Payne - February 02, 2024 at 01:01 PM