



Rev. James Thomas Ferguson Sr.

January 15, 1936 - January 23, 2024

Rev. James Thomas Ferguson Sr., age 88, of Flowery Branch, GA passed away on Tuesday, January 23, 2024. He was preceded in death by his late wife, Mrs. Judith Free “Judy” Ferguson. Rev. Ferguson is survived by sons and daughters-in-law, James T. “Tommy” Ferguson, Jr. and wife Sara Ferguson, Flowery Branch, GA and Anthony M. “Tony” Ferguson and wife, Michelle Ferguson, Watkinsville, GA; grandchildren, Wesley Ferguson (Brittany), Morgan Sarazin (Kyle), Mackenzie Ferguson, Connor Ferguson, Caleb Ferguson, and Georgia Deitz; two great grandchildren, Truett and Tenley Ferguson; sisters, Mary Ferguson, Elaine Grubbs, Ella Arnold, and Evelyn Tarrant; sister-in-law Betty Cantrell; many nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and acquaintances. Rev. Ferguson was born January 15, 1936 in Habersham County, GA. He was the son of the late Quinton Eugene and Etta Spencer Ferguson and brother of the late Betty Laprade Caudell, Sara Ferguson Hallford, Dorothy Ferguson Littleton, Irene Ferguson Shirley, and Frank Ferguson. He was a 1954 graduate of Tallulah Falls High School and served in the U.S. Army (1954-1957).

Funeral Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at Ivy Creek Baptist Church 2500 Ivy Creek Rd. Buford, GA 30519 with the Rev. Scott Sims and Rev. James Turpin officiating. Mr. Ferguson will Lie in State from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Church. Interment with Military Honors will follow at Hamilton Mill Memorial Gardens in Buford, GA. Graveside Service by Dr. Craig Dale. The family will receive friends at Flanigan Funeral

Home in Buford, GA from 5:00-8:00 pm on Friday, January 26, 2024.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Ivy Creek Baptist Church Building Fund, 2500 Ivy Creek Rd. Buford, GA 30519 in memory of Rev. James T. Ferguson Sr.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 26. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Flanigan Funeral Home
4400 South Lee Street
Buford, GA 30518

Lie In State

JAN 27. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Ivy Creek Baptist Church Cemetery
2500 Ivy Creek Road
Buford, GA 30519

Funeral Service

JAN 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

Ivy Creek Baptist Church Cemetery
2500 Ivy Creek Road
Buford, GA 30519

Interment with Military Honors

JAN 27 (ET)

Hamilton Mill Memorial Gardens
3481 Hamilton Mill Rd
Buford, GA 30518
jeflanigan@flaniganfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

MT

“ Brother, Jim was my preacher at Winters Chapel Baptist Church when I was a little little girl, I am now 41 years old . I was five years old whenever brother Jim offered me the gift of salvation. I accepted. When I was eight brother Jim baptized me at church. I remember him getting on the church bus during vacation Bible school and everyone was singing and clapping brother Jim that's my preacher. Brother Jim and Winters Chapel Baptist Church gave me the morals and values that I still hold onto strongly today and have passed down to my own children. The world lost a good godly man! BUT Oh, what a day it is that Brother Jim is walking in glory down the streets of gold, holding Miss Judy's hand.

Maria Turner - January 26, 2024 at 11:02 AM

JK

“ Rev. Jim was my Mom and Dad's pastor for awhile. He officiated my mom's funeral in 2013. My father has always been very fond of him. I, nor my dad, realized that they shared the birthday, January 15th. My Dad turned 96 recently. My dad is 8 years older and is still living in an assisted living facility in Buford. I told my dad of Jim's passing, and he sends his prayers and condolences to the family. He was a wonderful man and will be truly missed by so many.

Jenna Kopp - January 26, 2024 at 09:46 AM

TN

“ Brother Jim was my mother's neighbor for many years. We all thought the world of him. He looked out for my mother and we often talked. He would check on her whenever I needed him too. I was so thankful that my mom had such a great neighbor. My family will truly miss brother Jim. I sincerely send my prayers and all my love to the family. Teresa , Margaret Mitchell and family

Teresa Nowell - January 25, 2024 at 11:57 AM

BG

“ *Pastor Jim was an inspiration to all who ever met and knew him. He was one of the best we have ever known and led us in worship with passion for the Word of God. He was so very knowledgeable about the Word. He will be greatly missed at our church. Much respect and admiration for this man of God that stood in a pulpit on Sunday mornings far past the age of most pastors. Our prayers are with his family and our church family.*

Bobby and Nancy Gravitt - January 25, 2024 at 10:57 AM

SP

“ *Bro. Jim was a great influence in my life. He was my neighbor for years, a brother in Christ, Jim was my friend. He was one of my pastors that I would reach out to for advice or counseling as I pastored. Always there, when I needed him. Such a blessing to many. He will be missed! Go rest high in His presence! My honor to have known! Steve Pritchett*

Steve Pritchett - January 25, 2024 at 09:56 AM

TU

“ *Big Jim was a mentor, friend and father like figure to me for over 40 years. He was larger than life, charismatic, funny, imposing (he actually scared me when I first met him) full of wisdom and his faith and influence never changed. He made me want to be a better person. I love and will miss him greatly. Todd Upshaw*

Todd Upshaw - January 25, 2024 at 08:21 AM

CL

“ I met Rev. Ferguson, I would say by accident but with God there are no accidental meetings. I was working for a local Sheriff's office and was serving civil papers one day. I was attempting to serve someone who worked at a local restaurant and as I was leaving he was coming in. He stopped me and asked if I knew his son (who also worked at the Sheriff's office) it just so happened that not too long before that he had been transferred back to the jail and had been 1 of my supervisors. Rev. Ferguson as been a friend ever since. My sincerest condolences to his family at his time

Charles Lucas - January 25, 2024 at 07:50 AM

TW

“ You're going to be missed, Brother Jim. RIP sir!

Tom Wilson - January 24, 2024 at 07:53 PM

HP

“ Jim Ferguson is my half-brother Wesley's grandfather. We all call him "Pappy". My brother and I are 10 years apart and when I was really little, Pappy would come often to pick Wesley up from my house. I was scared of him at first, because he was super tall, but he would always bring M&Ms with him so I wouldn't be afraid. I love him like my own grandfather and he never treated me any differently than his other grandchildren. He will forever be loved and remembered by so so many.

Hannah Pelletier - January 24, 2024 at 07:20 PM

SJ

“ Dr Jim was a dear friend i can see him coming down the hall of the funeral home to the office to speak to me and shake my hand. He was a wonderful man of God. He will be missed by me and all who knew him RIP Dr Jim

Shirley Jones - January 24, 2024 at 06:40 PM

DB

“ *Preacher Ferguson was a friend and he will be missed sorely. Never met a stranger David Banks*

David & Wanda Banks - January 24, 2024 at 05:51 PM