



Jerry Lee Nye

September 3, 1945 - May 4, 2025

Jerry Lee Nye, 79, of Buford, Georgia, passed away peacefully on May 4, 2025. Born on September 3, 1945, in Kansas City, Missouri, Jerry lived a life marked by unwavering faith, dedicated service, and deep love for his family and community.

A proud veteran of the United States Air Force, Jerry served from 1965 to 1969. He held the rank of E-3 Airman First Class and spent two and a half years stationed in Germany before completing his service in New Mexico with an honorable discharge. His time in the military instilled in him a strong sense of discipline and commitment that would guide him throughout his life.

Jerry was a skilled carpenter by trade, but his true calling came after he received the Lord as his Savior on October 1, 1974. From that moment forward, he devoted himself wholeheartedly to ministry. Over the course of 49 years, he served as a preacher, pastor, and missionary. His passion for spreading the Gospel led him to start churches in Jamaica; Dawsonville, Georgia; San Andres; St. Lucia; and Beque. Later in life, he transitioned into church rescue ministry-revitalizing struggling congregations with wisdom and compassion.

He was a current member of Rest Haven Baptist Church, where he faithfully led Wednesday night Bible studies. Jerry also extended his ministry through a radio program and podcast affiliated with the church reaching hearts far

beyond the sanctuary walls.

Jerry's legacy continues through his beloved wife Dorinda Nye; his children Lori Horton (Gordon) and their daughters Flechia Horton, Sabrina Horton, and Ellaina Horton; Tessa Smith (Stephen); Charles Nye (Rebecca) and their children Victoria Varela (Louis), William Nye, Emma Nye, and Owen Nye; and Valery Woodward (Pete). He was preceded in death by his parents Charles and Virginia Nye.

Outside of ministry and carpentry, Jerry found joy in many pursuits. He loved fishing and woodworking—crafting both memories and masterpieces with his hands. A devoted fan of the Georgia Bulldogs and Atlanta Braves, he cheered passionately for his teams. He also enjoyed traveling and golfing whenever time allowed. Above all else, Jerry cherished time spent with family.

A funeral service honoring Jerry's life will be held at Flanigan Funeral Home in Buford, Georgia. Flowers may be sent to the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Dorinda Nye or to your favorite missionary in Jerry Nye's name—a fitting tribute to a man who gave so much to others.

As reflected in one of his guiding scriptures -II Timothy 2:2-Jerry committed himself to teaching others so they might carry forth the message of faith: "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also."

May Jerry Lee Nye's memory continue to inspire all who knew him through the enduring impact of his faith-filled life. A Viewing will be held on Monday, May 12, 2025, from 06:00 PM to 08:00 PM at Flanigan Funeral Home, 4400 S Lee St., Buford, GA. A Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Flanigan Funeral Home, 4400 S Lee St. There will be a viewing from 10:00-11:00 am then the funeral service following from

11:00-12:00.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 12. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Flanigan Funeral Home
4400 South Lee Street
Buford, GA 30518

Visitation

MAY 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAY 13. 11:00 AM.

Chapel of Flanigan Funeral Home

Tribute Wall

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“ My earliest memory of Brother Jerry was in 1990, during Fall Festival at Rest Haven Baptist Church. That evening, he strummed his guitar and sang for us. He immediately endeared himself to me. Over the years, as I got to know him better, I learned that he was an impressive man who loved the Lord. I have said numerous times that “they don’t make ‘em like him anymore.” He was truly one of a kind. Brother Jerry could do many things, which was impressive in and of itself. However, he was not tech savvy, which afforded me many opportunities to point out his “operator errors,” when he would call me for tech support. More than a few times, he would start clicking or typing away before I could explain what he needed to do. Once we would finally figure out what he needed to do, he would have me tell him again so that he could write it down step-by-step. Then, a few days later, he would call me again with the same issue. This gave me many opportunities to laugh with my brother in Christ. With just about every call and FaceTime, he would end with that saying, “Keep looking up!” I miss him dearly.

Brother Keith Clark

Keith Clark - May 07, 2025 at 02:11 PM



“ Brother Jerry lead me to the Lord almost 21 years, I never thought as a 41 year old woman that I could be saved but he showed me that it was never too late. He has always and will always be a big part of my salvation testimony, and will always have a special place in my heart. My prayers are with Sister Dee and the family as they say goodbye to this blessed man. We will see you again Bro Jerry when we all meet again in Heaven.

Janet Parks - May 07, 2025 at 01:26 PM

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“ Jerry was my dear brother in the faith however many thought we were real brothers in the flesh because of our physical features. I first met Bro. Nye and his dear family on a mission trip to May Pen , Jamaica. Bro. Thurman Wade and I slept on the porch of their home. I preached for him at the New Town Baptist Church and began a relationship with him that has lasted to this day. He introduced me to Jerk Jamacian chicken and still love it today. Dee, however out did the jerk chicken with her curry chicken. The kids and I hit it off real well . Our church has been supporting this family ever since. I preached a revival crusade on the island of St. Lucia for bro. Nye with many saved. Jerry was a trooper for the Lord and we had a lot in common. I shall dearly miss by bro. In the Faith. He struggled to make it on March 30 to my 50 th. Anniversary as pastor of Elder Road Baptist Church and that meant the world to me to have him and Fee present. I always loved to hear him sing, I'm going to die on the battle field and that he certainly did. We have lost a warrior and my heart is broken but thank God for the hope we have in Christ Jesus. His famous words were...Keep looking up and that I will do. Oh yes...One final thought about our stay in their home in May Pen and that was Checkers the cat. I remember so well. God bless the Nye family. Keep Bro. Jerry's legacy alive. We love you so much. Bro. Shelton. Elder Road Baptist Church

Carlton Shelton - May 06, 2025 at 06:59 PM



I met brother Nye through his lovely daughter Mrs Lori Horton, Pastor Horton and their girls, Fletchia, Sabrina and Alaina, while attending community Baptist Church Oshawa. I felt like I became a part of their family whom I Love and cherished. Soul winning will never be the same without brother Nye. May your soul rest in peace. Gone but not forgotten.

Carlene Robinson - May 07, 2025 at 03:08 PM