



Rev. Richard Darryl Dale

May 4, 1939 - January 4, 2021

Richard Darryl Dale, 81, of Flowery Branch, GA went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on January 4, 2021 following a battle with pneumonia. Darryl was born on May 4, 1939 in Gainesville, GA to Elbert Clarence Dale and Amanda Ward Dale. He grew up in the New Holland Mill village until his family relocated to northern Hall County.

Darryl graduated from Riverbend High School in 1957 and served in the United States Navy onboard the USS Saratoga. After his honorable discharge, he was employed at New Holland Textile Plant, Leece-Neville, Life of Virginia Insurance Company, and the Southern Bell Telephone Company. He went on to earn two Associates Degrees from what was formerly known as Gainesville Junior College in Oakwood, GA.

Darryl was called into the ministry and licensed to preach in 1967. He was later ordained and served as pastor of Springway Baptist Church in Gainesville, GA, Nicholson Baptist Church in Nicholson, GA, New Bridge Baptist Church in Gainesville, GA, Friendship Baptist Church in Buford, GA, and Woods Grove Baptist Church in Young Harris, GA. In addition to serving as a pastor, he also served as a volunteer chaplain with the Northeast Georgia Medical Center, the Towns County Sheriff's Department, the Gainesville City Police Department, and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. After retirement, Darryl was an active member of Ivy Creek

Baptist Church in Buford, GA.

Darryl married the love of his life, Gloria Maurice "Reecie" Presley Dale in 1960. They had two sons, Charles "Chuck" Richard Dale, and Craig Darryl Dale. Darryl's son, Chuck married Barbara Nelson Dale and they had four children, Ashely Dale Ortiz, Cameron Charles Dale, Caleb Ryan Dale, and Caissen Richard Dale. Darryl's son, Craig married Caroline Day Dale and they also had four children, Presley Grace Dale, Maggie Kate Dale, Chloe Reece Dale, and Charlie Maxwell Dale. In addition to his eight grandchildren, Darryl also was blessed with three great-grandchildren, Peyton Ortiz, Amanda Ortiz, and Preston Ortiz.

Darryl is survived by his wife, Reecie, his son, Craig, his daughter-in-laws, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, his sister-in-law, Elaine Presley Greene, as well as numerous nephews, nieces, cousins, and countless friends. Darryl was preceded in death by his son, Chuck, his parents, and his brothers and sisters, E.C. Dale, Jr., Katherine Dale Hamilton, A.J. Dale, Willie Fern Dale Cagle.

A small, private family graveside service will be held January 6, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at the New Bridge Baptist Church Cemetary, 3120 Cleveland Highway, Gainesville, GA 30506 with a larger celebration of life to be held at a later date. There will be no public visitation at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, anyone wishing to honor Darryl's memory can donate to Ivy Creek Baptist Church designated for the Building Fund. The address is P.O. Box 2344, Buford, GA 30515.

Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. Richard Darryl Dale*

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *Darryl was the first pastor that I remembered as a child. He was always kind, loving and yet he could "step on your toes" during a sermon. He was gracious enough to help lead the homegoing services of both of my parents. I love Darryl and the rest of the Dale family.*

Becky Lipscomb Garber - January 20, 2021 at 06:55 PM

LK

“ Craig, i remember what i cross stitch for my Father a long time ago. This is what it said, "Anyone can be a Father, but it takes some special to be a daddy.". Father's are special. I know your Father was a member of your Church. He must have been so proud of you! He also was a Grand Father with your children. I know that grandchildren makes not only you proud but it also makes your parents so grateful and shows how proud they are of your children.

I know your Father is in Heaven and he is at peace now and we should celebrate his life.

It is not easy. Bruce's Mother died September 19, 2020 at 10:30am. For Christmas I purchased two ornaments from a company that personalizes Christmas ornaments. We got this one for Bruce's brothers and wives. It has this phrase, "Your wings were ready to fly, but we were not".

Craig, I left a message for Stan Appleton to let Joe Dyer know about your Father.

Again, love and Prayers for you and your family..

Linda Knotts.

Linda Knotts - January 07, 2021 at 12:45 PM

LK

“ Craig, so sorry for the loss of your Father. You and your family will be in our prayers. God bless you and your family.

Linda Knotts

Linda Knotts - January 06, 2021 at 10:30 PM

SC

“ *Stan And Cindy Collins lit a candle in memory of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale*



Stan and Cindy Collins - January 06, 2021 at 04:45 PM

DC

“ *Reecie,*

My heart hurts for you. Love you and will be praying.

Donna Cleveland

Donna Cleveland - January 06, 2021 at 02:53 PM

SD

“Darryl was mine and my son's pastor for over a decade, he was there for me when my husband died, he was there when my grandson needed to be baptized, he was there when my son become a teenager and needed a trusted friend, he was there for my family through many storms in this world with the wisdom of God's Holy Words to help us through many storms. He would tell you, he was the man he is because of the love he had for Reecie. This man loved his wife, this man loved his Lord Jesus Christ, this man has gone to be with his Lord Jesus Christ and has many loved ones with him now, and he will be complete again one day when the rest of his family comes home with him. For now, each one will learn how to carry him in their hearts, in their memories, and will learn to love each other in a different way, until all the souls of love unit again with our heavenly Father. I was in prayer for Darryl's healing, however, when God is ready for you, I could of grabbed one leg, another person could of grabbed another, and no matter how hard we held on to him, when God comes for you, not anything can keep you here. In time, we learn to love in a different way, and in time, we find that peace that only Jesus can give us through the Holy Spirit that dwells within us. Darryl reminds me of a saying I had put on my own husband's monument. He is a child of God, a son, a man, a soldier, a servant of God, a husband, a father, a grandfather, a good man. What more could anyone leave for this world, than sharing the Beautiful, Living, Word of God, through The Holy Bible with all who cross your path. My prayers are with you Reecie during this time and your whole family. With much love and respect, I will continue prayer, Sheila Dyer

Sheila J Dyer - January 06, 2021 at 03:55 AM

MB

“ Maurice and family, My minister son says he longs to meet Christ and hear “well done good and faithful servant”. Surely your husband And father is in the presence of Jesus hearing these words and being with his loved ones especially your son. I am proud to be your friend and will be in touch more thru Facebook as usual. Take care of you all too. I love you all and pray for your grief to experience comfort in Jesus.

Myra Mote Benefield - January 05, 2021 at 11:48 PM

AG

“ April Gann lit a candle in memory of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale



April Gann - January 05, 2021 at 11:15 PM

GC

“ We love the Dale family. They have been a part of our lives for decades. Darryl was a wonderful, inspiring and dear pastor that truly made a difference in our lives and in the lives of so many. He was so dear to our family. He was our pastor and friend. He officiated at our wedding and at the funerals of my mom and dad. We are forever grateful for him and his precious family. Our hearts, prayers and thoughts are with the family in this time of sad loss.

With much love,
Charlie and Gaye (Woodring) Cronin

Gaye Cronin - January 05, 2021 at 09:07 PM

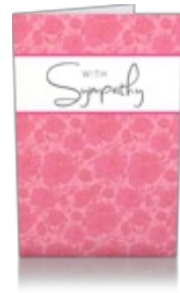
GD

Thank you Charlie and Gaye. We love you, too.

Gloria M. Dale - January 16, 2021 at 07:07 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale.*



January 05, 2021 at 09:02 PM



“ *We love your family dearly, and our prayers are with you all.*

Stephen, Keri and Leah



Stephen Murphy - January 05, 2021 at 08:54 PM



“ *We are heartbroken for you in the loss of your sweet husband, father, and Papa. We didn't know him well but will always remember his big smile, funny sense of humor, his pride in those he loved and his devotion and love for his wife. A godly saint who has been welcomed into his forever home. May God's peace and comfort, as well as your many memories, help you through this difficult time. We love the Dale family! Rob and Michelle Sheffield*

Michelle & Rob Sheffield - January 05, 2021 at 08:54 PM

BC

“ I will be praying for the family. I remember good times and many blessings at Friendship Baptist Church



billie cormick - January 05, 2021 at 07:37 PM

AM

“ Preacher Dale was such a good example for all of us. May God Comfort you all until He calls us all home. We will be lifting you up in prayer, Greg & Areta Morgan

aretta morgan - January 05, 2021 at 07:07 PM

GH

“ Gary And Doris Hughes lit a candle in memory of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale



Gary and Doris Hughes - January 05, 2021 at 04:53 PM

LC

“ So sorry for your loss you all are in our thoughts and prayers love you all



Loudly Cagle - January 05, 2021 at 04:37 PM

MC

“ *margaret C. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale.*



margaret C. - January 05, 2021 at 04:22 PM

WT

“ *Dear family, love and prayers for you now and in the future. May God comfort you and give you grace, mercy and peace. I am thankful for your friendship and for Darryl's ministry for many years. He was a faithful servant for the Lord and his country. John 14*

Willene Thomas - January 05, 2021 at 03:35 PM

CS

“ *Candis Dale Sledge. & Judy Dale Spain lit a candle in memory of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale*



Candis Dale Sledge. & Judy Dale Spain - January 05, 2021 at 02:25 PM

JG

“ *What a man!! I know in Heaven he heard “we'll done my good and faithful servant"! He spent his life well serving Christ with his whole heart and loving well those he pastored and those that were his friends. Our lives were blessed to have known him. Our prayers for you all. Hugs*💙💛

Janice and Mike Grizzel - January 05, 2021 at 02:23 PM

DS

“ Bro. Darryl, was a "Man's Man".....he Loved me and always treated me with great kindness, love and respect. I did many revival services for him over the span of his Pastoral Ministry. I will miss him. I have MANY Wonderful Memories of our "pastor Talks". No TRUER Words than, "HE has gone to be with HIS saviour and Lord, Jesus."

Dr. Thomas Smiley - January 05, 2021 at 12:29 PM

NY

“ Nancy Y. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale.



Nancy Y. - January 05, 2021 at 12:20 PM

TF

“ The Roebuck Family lit a candle in memory of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale



The Roebuck Family - January 05, 2021 at 12:15 PM

Angela
Massingill

“ Maurice, we are so sorry for the loss of Darryl. What a true friend he was to my Daddy and a comfort to my entire family when Daddy died! We are praying for you all.
Angela Crow Massingill
(Daughter of Austin Crow)

Angela Massingill - January 05, 2021 at 11:30 AM

AE

“ My heart goes out to the entire Dale family. I am deeply sorry for your loss. I pray that you all have the peace that goeth beyond all understanding until you meet again in heaven.

Amanda Effer - January 05, 2021 at 11:30 AM

WC

“ Darryl was a special friend. I will miss him. Praying for the family.
Walter

walter Chandler - January 05, 2021 at 11:04 AM

HC

“ Our prayers and deepest sympathy to all the family and his many friends. For many years we have known the Darryl Dale family and the love they have for one another and others. We always enjoyed his sense of humor and the many things he often shared on FB.



May you find comfort in knowing he is with the LORD and Chuck.

Yours In Christ,
Howard & Carol Cooper
Talmo, Ga.

Howard & Carol Cooper - January 05, 2021 at 10:54 AM

SW

“ Sorry to hear of the death of Darryl Dale. My brothers and I enjoyed the time spent with Darryl deer hunting in a club we were in.
Stanley, Ronnie, and Larry Weldon

Stanley Weldon - January 05, 2021 at 08:04 AM

BB

“ *Janice and I are so sad to hear of the loss of your dad. I know what it feels like. I worked with him at Southern Bell when I was 20 years old. He was a good man, a faithful pastor and a great father. I know y'all will miss him. Our prayers are with you, your mom and all your family.*

Bobby Brown - January 05, 2021 at 06:19 AM

MG

“ *Marilyn Gee lit a candle in memory of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale*



Marilyn Gee - January 05, 2021 at 05:06 AM

VJ

“ *Vernon & Ann Jarrard lit a candle in memory of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale*



Vernon & Ann Jarrard - January 05, 2021 at 01:04 AM

DW

“ *Number One friend yesterday, today, and tomorrow. Memories we made together and often shared with each other will always exist. Condolences to Maurice and family members from our hearts.*

Janice and Douglas Winters



Douglas H Winters - January 04, 2021 at 11:16 PM

AW

“ We I have been praying daily for the entire family. Our hearts are heavy with you but also rejoicing that we got to know this wonderful man. May God gently lift your sadness and fill you with wonderful memories of good times. May you rejoice in the legacy Darryl has left behind. His life was a blessing!

Andi and Lynwood Worley

Andrea Worley - January 04, 2021 at 09:57 PM

SS

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. While I did not personally know Darryl, it seems that he was a wonderful and faithful servant of our Lord. I am asking our loving Heavenly Father to give all of you comfort, strength and peace as you walk through this difficult time.

Susan Silvers

Susan Silvers - January 04, 2021 at 09:07 PM

SJ

“ Sherry S Jordan lit a candle in memory of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale



Sherry S Jordan - January 04, 2021 at 07:43 PM

HS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love the Melvin Jackson family!*



Holly Smith - January 04, 2021 at 07:27 PM

KB

“ *Keith Brown lit a candle in memory of Rev. Richard Darryl Dale*



Keith Brown - January 04, 2021 at 06:33 PM