



Reverend Dr. D. A. Emerson

February 21, 1935 - July 8, 2014

Reverend Dr. D. A. Emerson, 79 of Arab died Tuesday, July 8, 2014 in Huntsville Hospital.

Mr. Emerson was born Thursday, February 21, 1935 in Wink, Texas, the son of David G. Sr. and Clearean Emerson. He was a high school and college graduate and served his Country in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict.

He was married November 7, 1959 to the former Irene Humphrey; they have shared their lives together for the past 54 years and have called Arab their home since 1971.

He was pastor of Union Grove Baptist Church, Morgan City for 3 years and was founder of the Life Gate Baptist Church and was their pastor for 31 years and currently was serving as Pastor Emeritus.

Reverend Emerson is survived by his wife: Irene Emerson; two sons and daughters-in-law: Mark and Cam Emerson and John and Susan Emerson; three grandchildren and spouses: Brandon Emerson (Jamie), Seth Emerson (Sabrina) and Whitney Emerson; five great grandchildren: Bryson, Noah, Alley, Andee and Sadie Emerson; two nephews and spouses: David Emerson (Becky) and Bella Emerson (Mona); preceded in death by his parents: David

G. Sr. and Clearean Emerson and a brother: Dave Emerson, Jr.

Funeral Service will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, July 12, 2014 at the Life Gate Baptist Church, Pastor Jeff Mims, Brother Shawn Graves and Brother Kevin Connell, officiating. Burial will be in Madison Cemetery, in Madison, Alabama; Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel, directing.

Pallbearers will be Marshall Cater, Brandon Emerson, Seth Emerson, Keith Phillips, Marty Stephens and Rex Wilson.

Visitation will be 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 11, 2014 at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel. He will also lie-in-state at the Church from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Cemetery Details

Madison Cemetery

100 Hughes Road
Madison, AL 35758

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel
1340 North Main Street
Arab, AL 35016
(256) 586-4100

Lie-In-State

JUL 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Life Gate Baptist Church
9253 U S Highway 231
Arab, AL 35016

Service

JUL 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DW

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories*



David and Mary Williams - January 14, 2023 at 05:11 PM

MD

“ Brother D.A. was such a blessing to us in 1996 when we were struggling on deputation. He was so kind and supportive in every way and that encouraged us to go on and go to Africa as missionaries and stay there these many years. He will be missed but Heaven is getting sweeter all the time.

Mike Dobbins - July 10, 2014 at 04:57 PM



“ *Celestial Love* was purchased for the family of Reverend Dr. D. A. Emerson.



July 10, 2014 at 04:54 PM



“ *Care and Compassion Spray* was purchased for the family of Reverend Dr. D. A. Emerson.



July 10, 2014 at 03:04 PM

IA

“ *Irby Company, Decatur AI purchased the Heavenly and Harmony for the family of Reverend Dr. D. A. Emerson.*



Irby Company, Decatur AI - July 10, 2014 at 07:31 AM

SA

“ *Ma'am Irene, you and Pastor DA treated us, the journeymen just like your own boys. I missed his "y'all", "keep looking up" and his singing with us the Mansion Over the Hilltop in our language. I am sure Bro Art Raymundo and him were now singing in heaven :-). Praying for you ma'am Irene. Salvador Nava and family*

Salvador - July 09, 2014 at 09:45 PM

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“ *Peters & Grace Family lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. D. A. Emerson*



Peters & Grace Family - July 09, 2014 at 07:31 PM

CC

“ *My dear Brandon, Mary just sent me the message that your grandfather had passed, but he is a man of God and we that are Christians know what that means, eternal life. He was loved by all, but God loved him more. I know you will miss him and you have a broken heart, but think of all the lives he touched and now I know why you are so special. My prayers are with you and your family during this time. May God bless each one of you now and forever.*
Your Irby friend, Carolyn

Carolyn Copeland - July 09, 2014 at 04:10 PM