



Rev. David Alexander

March 29, 2019

Rev. David Alexander, formerly of Albemarle, passed away Monday, March 25, 2019 in Chesapeake, VA. A graveside service will be held on Sunday, March 31, 2019 at 2:00 in Stanly Gardens of Memory with Rev. David Yoran officiating. The family will receive friends at Stanly Funeral and Cremation Care from 1 until 1:45 prior to the graveside service. A memorial service to honor his life will be held at a later date.

Born September 25, 1931 in Ballymoney, County Antrim, Northern Ireland, he was the son of the late David Alexander and Annie McAfee Alexander. Rev. Alexander worked at the Railway Executive Northern Counties Commission from 1948 until 1953. He became a Christian on September 30, 1948 at the Gospel Crusade held in County Antrim, N. Ireland. He left for the US in January of 1953 with the goal of becoming a pastor. He was a graduate of Northwestern College, Minneapolis, MN and Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis MO. It was there he met and

was married to the Elaine Hlavin Alexander on May 27, 1960.

Rev. Alexander assisted in the founding of Ballwin Presbyterian Church in Ballwin, Missouri. His first pastorate was at Crestwood Presbyterian Church in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada after which he became Pastor of Second Street Presbyterian Church in Albemarle, NC from 1966-1984. Upon leaving Albemarle he served as pastor of Mt. Calvary Presbyterian Church in Roebuck, SC from 1984-1992 after which he returned to Second Street Church in Albemarle as Pastor from 1992-2000. Rev. Alexander became Chaplain of Stanly Regional Medical Center in 2000 and served in that capacity until his retirement in 2011. During his time as Chaplain he also served as interim pastor of Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church in Ellerbe, NC.

Rev. Alexander served on the Board of Trustees of Covenant College, serving as Secretary, and also Covenant Theological Seminary. Rev. Alexander served as RPCES Chairman of the Candidates and Credentials Committee, Moderator of the Pacific-Northwest Presbytery 1965-1966, PCA Chairman of the Shepherding Committee, was a member

of the Examinations Committee and served as moderator of the Presbytery during his time in Albemarle.

He was very active in his community throughout his life. He was coordinator of the chaplains for the Stanly County Ministerial Association for almost 25 years, member of the Stanly County Environmental Affairs Board, and a member of the Piedmont Chapter of the National Railroad Historical Society.

His wife Elaine passed away in December of 2016. Survivors include his sons Dr. David Alexander of Houston, TX and Dr. Brian Alexander and wife Sandy of Chesapeake, Virginia, grandsons Andrew Alexander and wife Sam, Christopher Alexander, and Mark Alexander and great-granddaughter Adelynn Alexander.

Tribute Wall

RC

“David and Brian, so sorry for your loss. I have many fond memories of both your parents over the years. In my adult years there were times our paths would cross and your parents always felt like home to me.

Regina Coble Clark - June 30, 2019 at 03:18 PM

MK

“Bryan and David, Paul and I were traveling past Albemarle and I looked up your Father to find this news of his homegoing. What a precious man, your heritage, who also helped establish ours as he sacrificially walked with us through Paul's recovery at Mt. Calvary. Our condolences . With love in Christ, Christie and Paul

Mr. And Mrs. Paul Kendall - May 10, 2019 at 12:53 PM

LA

“Brian I am so sorry to see this. Your dad married my husband and I 32 years ago when we were at Mt. Calvary. He was a lovely man. Prayers for all of your family.

Lisa Allen - April 22, 2019 at 06:44 PM

BA

“Our heartfelt thanks to everyone who posted here with your thoughts and remembrances. The family is saddened by his passing but also joyful with the knowledge that he is with his Lord and Saviour, that his mind is fully restored, and that he is with my Mom. If you were able to attend the graveside service feel free to post your thoughts here. We will hopefully be releasing the date oh his memorial service in the near future.

Brian Alexander - April 03, 2019 at 02:37 PM

SH

“ i was truly blessed to help with his care with home care many years ago your mom and dad made me feel so welcome in their home i saw him in the hospital when i worked there also they were amazing people with so much love to share God Bless You All

Sara Hinson - March 30, 2019 at 11:33 AM

AL

“ He was a fine man and always had a smile and an encouraging word for everyone. I worked at the church many years ago as a part-time secretary during the hours my daughter was at play-school at First Presbyterian. He and Elaine were two of the finest people one would ever want to know. I still remember sharing "Pride O' Pumpkin" cake with them in their kitchen. Sympathy to David and Brian.

Alice Lewis - March 30, 2019 at 10:59 AM

PM

“ Reverend Alexander will always be in my heart for his commitment to Stanly hospital. He made sure patients were offered communion. Such a great community leader, pastor to the community and genuine love for God. You are missed.

Pam Medlin - March 30, 2019 at 12:50 AM

DC

“ I had the privilege of attending Second Street Presbyterian from 1974 to 1981 . Reverend Alexander and Elaine were family..He certainly looked after his congregation. He married Stephen and I in 1981, sending condolences to his family.

Debra Cunningham - March 29, 2019 at 10:02 PM

PG

“ *Rev. Alexander was such a wonderful man. I grew up going to church listening to him and he was so wonderful when my father passed away. Condolences to his family.*

Prentis Gross - March 29, 2019 at 09:52 PM

JM

“ *Loss of a great friend. Many good conversations and good fellowship shared together. Rest in peace buddy?!?????????*

Jephthah McSwain - March 29, 2019 at 09:50 PM

LM

“ *What a wonderful godly man. He was definitely worthy to be called reverend. I always looked forward to him coming to the nursing units and doing the healing hands ceremony, and I loved to hear him talk, especially when he turned on the Irish. Accent He will be missed.*

Londa Morgan - March 29, 2019 at 08:58 PM

SS

“ *I really enjoyed getting to know Mr. Alexander when he would visit the nusing homes and hospital. He was a very gentle and pleasant individual. I will remember him fondly.*

Sandra Steen - March 29, 2019 at 02:43 PM

JC

“ *Brian and David, I am sorry for your loss. Your dad meant a WHOLE lot to Alyson and myself, and touched the lives of many. While we mourn his departure from this stage in his life, we rejoice that your mom and dad are together again in the next! Our prayers are with you. John and Alyson Cooper*

John Cooper - March 29, 2019 at 01:21 PM

MM

“ *David was a true example of a Christian. I met him when he was visiting in the hospital.. Our thoughts and prayers for you as you journey through this difficult time.*

Marilyn & Eddie Morton - March 29, 2019 at 11:16 AM

MG

“ *Condolences and prayers for the family especially David and Brian. He was a wonderful man and Marc speaks highly of Pastor Alexander. ❤️ Marc and Lorie Gibson.*

Marc and Lorie Gibson - March 29, 2019 at 10:26 AM