



Rev. Millard Brooks

April 22, 2017

Rev. Yates Millard Brooks, 90, of New London passed away Saturday, April 22, 2017 in his home with his family by his side.? His funeral service will be 11 AM Wednesday, April 26, 2017 in Highland Baptist Church with Rev. Joe Smith and Rev. Doland Humphries officiating.? Burial will follow in the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church Cemetery.? The family will receive friends on Tuesday evening from 4 until 7 PM in the Family Life Center of Highland Baptist Church.

Born November 4, 1926 in Lincoln County, NC, he was the son of the late Robert Lee Brooks and Fannie Saine Brooks and was a Baptist Minister and carpenter.? He received his BA from Wake Forest University in Winston Salem and his Master of Divinity from Southeastern Seminary in Wake Forrest, NC.? He was a member of Highland Baptist Church.? Rev. Brooks though retired continued to preach and enjoyed building grandfather clocks and other furniture.? He was a veteran of the US Navy

Rev. Brooks is survived by his wife Merle Hastings Brooks of the home.? Other survivors include daughters Rita Brooks Comer and husband Danny? and Chris Brooks Speight and husband David, 8 grandchildren and ?13 great-grandchildren.? He was preceded in death by his daughter Teresa Brooks Hatley.

The family wishes to thank all those that loved and supported him through his illness.? In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Community Homecare and Hospice of Troy, 1024 Albemarle Rd, Suite 904, Troy, NC 27371.

Tribute Wall

HT

“ What's up to every body, it's my first visit of this webpage; this webpage contains awesome and in fact good information designed for visitors.

<https://agapixeseiszwdia.wordpress.com/> - June 22, 2017 at 12:34 AM

LR

“ I just found out about Rev Brooks and Teresa. Time passes so quickly, remember spending lots of time in your home, Teresa was my dearest friend. I know the family will miss both of them. Thankfully, we will see them when we go to our real Home.

Linda Bringle Reed - June 03, 2017 at 08:43 PM

JG

“ I just found out that Yates has passed. I am beyond sad. I talked to him several weeks ago and he told me of his and Merle's bad health but had no idea it would be the last time we would speak. He was our pastor at Allen Jay Baptist in High Point, NC. He was such a comfort when my father died in 1979. He and Merle were so special. When we talked, he would not let me hang up until he told me one of his famous jokes. I will miss you Yates but will see you one day.

June Gillespie - May 15, 2017 at 07:06 PM

JS

“ It saddens me to hear of the passing of Pastor Brooks. He was our Pastor at Pinnacle Baptist Church. He performed our wedding ceremony in 1967. We loved him and his family dearly. Merle ,Rita and Chris I just want to say he meant a lot to me in my teenage years. He was a true man of God. May God Bless each of you.

Jimmy Spencer - April 24, 2017 at 06:46 PM

MF

“ My husband and I have known Yates and Merle practically all our lives. So many fond memories of this Godly man and family. He and Merle were always special friends to us. Especially over the past few years as we were unable to travel and visit as often our phone calls were so sweet. After discussing all our aches and pains he was always faithful to end with prayer. He will be dearly missed and never be forgotten.

Mrs. Nellie Shuford and Family - April 24, 2017 at 11:40 AM

EP

“ I know that heaven is a much better place , now that Pastor Yates is there. .such a wonderful man of God.

Elaine Petrea - April 24, 2017 at 11:24 AM

DF

“ Heaven is so much fuller but Earth has a hole in which will never be filled by a better man or preacher. Pastor Yates was and will always be my most beloved Stanly County preacher. I sat many Sunday's under him at South Albemarle Baptist after moving here from Colorado in 1999. He was an interim pastor at the time and it broke our hearts to see him leave. Our family would have followed him from church to church as he preached at many more churches in his "retirement". It was he that discouraged this and left us in the hands of a great new preacher, Pastor Jesse Dennis. I pray for his family and want you to know how much he touched our lives and hearts. He always reminded us at the end of every Sunday, "Do you know how much I love you?" And we did.

Daniel & Kamra Brantley and family - April 24, 2017 at 09:05 AM

PH

“ Our thoughts and prayers for the entire family. Preacher Brooks performed our wedding ceremony and will always hold a special place in our hearts. God Bless all of you.

Patricia and Terry Harris - April 24, 2017 at 08:13 AM

ST

“ I knew Pastor Yates for many years, through his ministry and also when I worked at Lum's Ford. He and Merle were always so kind to me and always so encouraging . May God wrap His arms around you and your family to get you through this difficult time. God bless you all.

Sharon Thompson - April 23, 2017 at 10:16 PM

VH

“ I loved Rev Brooks. What a precious man. Condolences to the family.

Vicki Herrin - April 23, 2017 at 07:06 PM

DL

“ He was indeed a wonderful and humble person. So glad he was my pastor on a couple of occasions loved he and Merle.A great godly man and a good sense of humor especially for Ford vehicles.

Doris Little - April 23, 2017 at 04:58 PM

TP

“ We wish to extend our sincere condolences and let you know you are all in our thoughts and prayers. May God grant you grace, peace, comfort, and wrap you in His loving arms and strengthen you during this time and in the days ahead. Rev. Yates will remain in our fondest memories and she will truly be missed by all who knew he. It was truly an honor to have known Rev. Yates...

Terry & Elaine Page - April 23, 2017 at 03:32 PM

NP

“ My prayers and thoughts go out to Pastor Brooks family. May God wrap his loving arms around each one of you.

Nancy Parker - April 23, 2017 at 01:59 PM

MP

“ I have known Pastor Yates for as long as I can. He was my favorite revival pastor when I was a child through today. Lately he kidded me about" how fast my walker would go down the ramp at church and did I have brakes on it." I loved this dear man and his precious wife. I will be praying for this sweet family as I know the loss will be great, but Pastor Yates is in his Heavenly Home with the Father.

Martha Poplin - April 23, 2017 at 11:53 AM

DM

“ So saddened to learn of the passing of Pastor Brooks. Spent many happy hours in the parsonage of First Baptist Church in Mt. Pleasant with this family. Teresa and I were very close friends in high school. My thought and prayers are with the entire family.

Dianne Ferguson McCord - April 23, 2017 at 09:55 AM

JS

“ We send our sincere condolences to the Brooks family. Pastor and Mrs. Brooks served faithfully at my church, First Baptist Church in Mount Pleasant. Brian and Janet

Janet Stancil - April 23, 2017 at 09:51 AM

WS

“ He was a very precious man. His smile radiated God's love. Prayers for peace to you all. You will see him again.

Wanda Speight - April 23, 2017 at 09:15 AM

CE

“ So many memories of this dear sweet man. He was Interim Pastor at Immanuel Baptist when Clegg and I renewed our vows such a beautiful service, but he did get in one of his jokes. he'll always hold a special place in our hearts. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his sweet wife Merle and his family we will continue to pray for you

Clegg and Elaine Eudy - April 23, 2017 at 08:26 AM

DB

“ So sorry for your loss. He was a good and Godly man who will be missed by many.. I am praying for the family...

Donna & Elwood Barringer - April 23, 2017 at 05:20 AM

AP

“ *My Thoughys and Prayers go out yo Merle & the Yates Family. My Family & I became friends with Rev. Yates & Merle when he was our Intrim Paster at Centerview Baptist. I have so many memories with Yates. The one thing he Loved to di was build Grandfather Clocks. We talked a lot about those beautiful sounding machines and how he made them from scratch, but what he Loved more than building those clocks and Loving his Beautiful wife Merle was his LOVE FOR JESUS CHRIST! He was a true man of God. Yates didnt mind stepping on your toes either, but he never took credit for it. He was very Humble. I will never forget the last time we spoke, I will cherish that phone call always. My dear friend you will be forever missed by so many who knew you and especially me. I Love you & may your soul rest in Peace, for I know you are having a Grand time with Jesus up in Heaven.*

Angie Page - April 23, 2017 at 02:51 AM

SF

“ *Prayers for the family.*

Sabol family- Scentsy consultant at stanly county fair - April 22, 2017 at 11:31 PM

GV

“ *So sorry for your loss. Your family will be in my prayers!*

Gail Vaughan - April 22, 2017 at 09:27 PM