



Mr. William "Bill" Barksdale

May 28, 1932 - December 26, 2014

Rev. William J. "Bill" Barksdale, 82, of Tifton died Friday, December 26, 2014 at his residence.

The funeral service will be 11:00 AM on Tuesday, December 30, 2014 at Banks Funeral Home Chapel with interment following in the Poulan Cemetery. Rev. Barksdale was born in Worth County on May 28, 1932 to the late Jutson and Mamie Lois Ellis Barksdale. Rev. Barksdale had lived in Tifton since 1987. He was ordained as a minister in November 1965 and retired after 49 years. He was a veteran of the United States Navy having served during the Korean War. Rev. Barksdale was formerly employed with Lawhorne Tire and liked to hunt and fish. He enjoyed visiting people and seeing to the needs of others. Rev. Barksdale was a member of the Corinth Freewill Baptist Church and was affiliated with the Freewill Baptist Association.

Survivors include his wife of 64 years, Latrelle Lawson Barksdale of Tifton; son, Ronnie Barksdale of Albany; daughters, Gail Barksdale Woods of Tifton and Wanda Barksdale Paulk of Hahira; grandchildren, Christy Woods, Shannon Carroll (Will), Matthew Barksdale (Whitney), Joel Paulk (Kim); great grandchildren, Isaac, Noelle and Katelyn Carroll, Olivia and Davis Barksdale; a number of nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Rev. Barksdale was preceded in death by two sisters.

The family will receive friends on Monday, December 29, 2014 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Banks Funeral Home.

Please sign our online guest registry at www.banksfh.com.
Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. William "Bill" Barksdale*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ *We are so sorry for the loss of your loved one! May the memories you have of him live in your hearts continuously & may God's Grace & Mercy carry you through this trying time. We have memories of Bro. Barksdale when he used to go visit my daddy, Jessie Ray Goddard & he is also the one who baptized my daddy after he got saved &, if I am not mistaken, he is the one who led our daddy to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. He & his wife have remained friend all these years. He will be missed!*

Richard & Barbara Kinard - May 14, 2018 at 03:30 PM



“ *Mrs. Latrelle, you are in my thoughts and prayers today and in days to come. It is with many fond memories that I think of Brother Bill. He baptized me over 35 years ago and has been a faithful support to my family. He may have served in other churches, but...he was ALWAYS our pastor, minister, and friend. I always took comfort in knowing that he was a vital link in the chain of prayer in our times of need. I have the utmost respect for you both! I am so glad God sent you to Poulan Free Will Baptist Church all those years ago. I will forever treasure the memories "Our Kind, Gracious, Heavenly Father" allowed us to have with Brother Bill. I hope he knew how much we loved and appreciated him!*

Leah Reynolds Crown - May 14, 2018 at 03:30 PM

MB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time.

Melonie and Johnny Mack Brown - May 14, 2018 at 03:30 PM

JL

“ Mrs. Barksdale, Ronnie, Gail, Wanda and family... I am so sorry to hear of Rev. Barksdale's passing. It has been years since I have seen any of you. I do remember the time I used to spend with all of you after church (during revivals) with Joan and Bobby. Please accept my sincere condolences and may God be with and comfort all of you. Judy (Purvis) Lawson

Judy Purvis Lawson - May 14, 2018 at 03:30 PM

TS

“ I have really grown to love you all. It will take time but you will see better days. If you ever need me, please let me know. I count it as an honor to serve as a pallbearer for Bro. Bill.

Terry Sirmans - May 14, 2018 at 03:30 PM

DB

“ You are in my thoughts and prayers. How it uplifts my heart to know that Bro. Bill was still serving God right to his going home to be with his Lord. When I took both of your hands to pray for you when I started to leave, instead he prayed for me. Love and prayers.
Dolores

Dolores Bradley - May 14, 2018 at 03:30 PM

WM

“ I had Bro. Barksdale to preach for me a couple of times at Double Branch years ago in revival. He did an excellent job and I know that he loved the Lord and loved pastoring and preaching. Sorry to hear of him going, but grateful he is with our Lord Jesus now.

Willie C. Martin - May 14, 2018 at 03:30 PM

BB

“ Mrs. Latrelle and family. I am so sorry for your loss. Bro. Bill was a great man. He will be missed. May God keep you in cradled in His loving arms during this time of sorrow. Peace my friends. God Bless.

Barbara L. Bozeman - May 14, 2018 at 03:30 PM



“ Sis. Latrelle & Family, Words are so inadequate at a time like this. We love you more than we can express & loved Bro. Bill so much. It seemed when he entered a room I was in that I could just feel the spirit of God. He was like a ray of sunshine with his uplifting spirit. I fully believe He is rejoicing in the presence of God now. We just pray God will fill your hearts with His Love and wrap you in his compassion that you might be comforted. Love to you all, you mean so much to us. Love forever, Wesley & Marilyn Reynolds

May 14, 2018 at 03:30 PM