



Elder Clarence Edward Hicks

December 12, 1949 - December 5, 2019

Clarence Edward Hicks, was born December 12, 1949 in Sweetwater, TN. He was one of six children born to Herbert Alfred “Bud” Hicks, Sr., and Margaret Kathleen Waters Hicks. He was a 1969 graduate of Sweetwater High School and a 1974 graduate of Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, TN., where he majored in Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Safety. He married Elizabeth “Libby” Ann Garland on September 10, 1971. They have one son Brandon M. Hicks and one grandson: Mathias Ezekial Hicks, all of Sweetwater. Clarence taught at Sweetwater High School in the 1974-1975 school year. He served as the assistant Football Coach and Girl’s Basketball Coach. He actively participated in all sports during his life and played both High School and College Football. He was an avid hunter and bass fisherman. Clarence announced his call to preach and was ordained into the Gospel Ministry on September 26, 1986 as an Elder in the Primitive Baptist Church and continued to serve his Lord until his death on December 5, 2019. He served as the Pastor of Glazener Primitive Baptist Church in Decatur, GA., and Olney Primitive Baptist Church in Oak Park, GA. He was the constituting Pastor of the Sweetwater Primitive Baptist Church and Charter Member. He was preceded in death by his father: Herbert Alfred “Bud” Hicks, Sr., paternal grandparents: William Helton and Florence Emma Lemons Hicks, maternal grandparents: George Fulton and Margaret Osie Fulton Waters, several aunts and uncles. He is survived by his wife of forty-eight years: Elizabeth “Libby” Hicks, his son Brandon M. Hicks, one grandson: Mathias Ezekial Hicks, his

mother: Margaret Kathleen Hicks, three brothers: Herbert Alfred "Junior" Hicks, Jr., and wife: Wanda, Jimmie Hicks and wife: Connie, all of Sweetwater, Gary Hicks and wife: Debbie of Lenoir City, two sisters: Nancey Douglas and husband: Kenny of Cleveland, and Judy Matoy, of Sweetwater. He is also survived by a large group of nieces and nephews, and special friends that he called "brothers": Elder Phillip Nichols, Jerry Forsythe, Tony Jackson, and David Durrence , of Georgia. The family will receive friends on Monday, December 9, 2019 at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, from 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. with the funeral service to follow in Kyker's Chapel with Elder Phillip Nichols officiating. Interment 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday in the Grandview Cemetery in Maryville, TN. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. www.kykerfuneralhomes.com

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

DEC 9. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Interment

DEC 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

Grandview Cemetery
2304 Tuckaleechee Pike
Maryville, TN 37803

Tribute Wall

HM

“ *My uncle Clarence will be missed by me and so many others he inspired--whether at home, church, classroom or outdoors. A fine man who loved his Lord, family and friends. May you be at peace in Heaven, dear uncle.*



Heather Metzger - December 09, 2019 at 07:11 PM



“ *Red Roses and White Carnations (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Elder CLarence Edward Hicks.*



December 09, 2019 at 05:25 PM

MB

“ *Melody Burton lit a candle in memory of Elder CLarence Edward Hicks*



Melody Burton - December 09, 2019 at 12:22 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Elder CLarence Edward Hicks.*



December 09, 2019 at 10:32 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Elder CLarence Edward Hicks.*



December 09, 2019 at 09:38 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Elder CLarence Edward Hicks.*



December 08, 2019 at 10:18 PM



“ *To all my Hicks friends, I am so sorry to hear of Clarence's passing. He was a fine man and example. As a kid, I thought Clarence was the strongest man I had ever seen. I pray that God will comfort you in your loss. Rest in peace on high Clarence.*
Doak

Doak - December 07, 2019 at 01:07 PM



“ *Brethren at Mt. Nebo Primitive Baptist Church purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Elder CLarence Edward Hicks.*



Brethren at Mt. Nebo Primitive Baptist Church - December 07, 2019 at 10:38 AM



“ So sorry to hear of Clarence's passing, Libby. I remember his high school football days vividly. He was a tough Widcat! Thoughts and prayers are with you and the entire Hicks family.

Mickey Berrong - December 07, 2019 at 10:37 AM

AT

So sorry for your loss! Our loss is God's gain! May God wrap His arms around you not only during this time, but in weeks months and years to come! Praying for Comfort and peace 🙏🙏🙏! Love yall ❤️❤️❤️❤️

Anne Tucker - December 07, 2019 at 11:58 PM

MB

Libby, You and your family are in my thoughts during this difficult time...take care!

Melody Burton

Melody Burton - December 09, 2019 at 12:22 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elder CLarence Edward Hicks.



December 07, 2019 at 09:47 AM



“ Brenda & Ray O'Connor purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Elder CLarence Edward Hicks.



Brenda & Ray O'Connor - December 07, 2019 at 08:59 AM

GD

“ Clarence was a welcome addition to my extended family. I remember how very happy Libby was when she met and married him and later when Brandon came into their lives. He had severe health issues, yet always had his deep faith and love of family. May God bless you all and comfort you during this time.

Georgiana Sharp Deane - December 07, 2019 at 08:49 AM

KF

“ Judy... I am so sorry to see this sad news.. Love you...

Kathy Frye - December 06, 2019 at 06:51 PM