



Rev. Joe Caldwell

December 17, 1918 - July 6, 2013

The Rev. Joseph (Joe) B. Caldwell, age 94 of Sweetwater, was called home to be with his Lord on July 6, 2013. He was at home with his family and at peace with his God. He was a member of Corinth Baptist Church in Loudon. He served his country in the Navy during WWII. He was ordained into the ministry on May 27, 1951. He was a dedicated, loving pastor for many, many years. Many people came to know Christ as Savior because of Joe's obedience to preaching God's word. He continued to grow personally by faithfully attending conferences and pastor schools at Carson Newman. He was always passionate about missions, going on several mission trips through the years. With Jesus as his example, he tended to and cared for his flock well into his 80's when he held services at an assisted living center. In addition to being a pastor, he served as an evangelist by preaching revivals in numerous states over the years, including going to the Wounded Knee Indian Reservation. He was amazing and well known for quoting scripture from memory, even a few days before his death. He considered it a great privilege to get to travel to The Holy Land.

He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of almost 73 years, Sally Gourley Caldwell, who has lovingly and tirelessly cared for him the past few years. Also survived by daughter Betty (Richard) Taylor of Lebanon, TN, son Boyd (Jane) Caldwell of Rutledge, TN; grandchildren Penney McNutt, Kristin (Devin) Cundall, Shane (Lisa) Taylor, Kala Caldwell and 7 great-grandchildren. Also survived by brothers Dan Caldwell and James Caldwell, Jr. and

numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Claudia and James C. Caldwell, Sr., sisters Edna Russell and Mable Townson, brothers Lawrence Caldwell and Dixie Caldwell.

The family wishes to extend a very special thank you to nephews Tony (Mary) Townson and Bill (Clara) Lemons for their dedication to assisting in his care during his illness. Also a special thank you to his physician, Dr. Thomas Evans and nurse Denise for going above and beyond, and to his devoted care-giver, Tammy Dyda, for her endless love and care. We would also like to thank Hospice and his other care-givers.

He dedicated his life to sharing the gospel of Christ.

The arrangements are as follows: Receiving of friends: Mon, July 8th from 6pm-8pm at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, TN. Funeral: Tues, July 9th at 1:00pm at Corinth Baptist Church, Loudon, TN. www.kykerfuneralhomes.com

Tribute Wall

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“ Sally, Betty, Boyd and extended family, It is not really possible to convey in so few words how much the Lovin family appreciates the impact Joe has had on us going back as far as fifty years. It never seemed to waiverbeginning with Joe's pastorship at Corinth to as late as the countless hours he spent visiting with our Dad during the last years of his life. They were such great friends.
I once heard a funeral director tell a grieving family member how blessed they were to have been able to spend a lifetime with the one whom they'd just lost. Oh how true that is for the Caldwell family and for those of us who were able to have him as such an influential part of our lives as well.
God's Blessings to you all, The family of Ralph and Juanita Lovin

R H Lovin - Charleston, TN - lifelong friend - July 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Boyd, I was so sorry to hear about your Father. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Sherry Wallin French - Jefferson City, TN - July 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Joe was our pastor at Cedar Fork Baptist Church and performed our wedding in 1986. He was a great witness, friend, leader and mentor. His simplistic approach to teaching and preaching reached many people and changed countless lives. His life was a pathway for many to meet and grow in Christ. I consider it an honor to have known Joe and developed as a christian under his leadership. He will be missed but is at home in Heaven surrounded by many who were led to Christ through his teaching and preaching.

Rich and Brenda Sisk - Charleston, SC - Friend - July 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Faithful unto death receive a crown of life.
till we meet again in Heaven.*
Rev. Gene Betty Russell

Rev. Gene Betty Russell - Loudon Tn., TN - A Friend and fellow Pastor . - July 08,
2013 at 12:00 AM