



Bro. Gerald Rogers

November 1, 1933 - January 17, 2016

Comer Gerald Rogers, passed away Sunday, January 17, 2016. He was 82.

Gerald was born November 1, 1933 and was the son of J.B. (Buren) and Mae Rogers. He was a 1951 graduate of Heard County High School, and worked with his dad until he was drafted into the Army in 1954. He served in the U.S. Army for two years at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina. He was honorably discharged as a Corporal in 1956. He then worked at Warren Sewell Clothing in Bowdon for 18 years as a Shop Foreman and also was pastor of several area churches. In 1974 he was called into full-time ministry. During the years of his ministry he was pastor of Rock Springs Baptist Church, Hopewell Baptist Church, Goldridge Baptist Church, Union Hill Baptist Church, Shorter Avenue Baptist Church, Fairview Baptist Church, Abilene Baptist Church and Ephesus Baptist Church. He retired from the ministry in 2003. He was Pastor of the Year for Floyd County in 1976 and in 1978 was honored in Korea at E.J. Daniels Crusade by the Governor of Con-Jo, Korea. He was Vice-Moderator for the Carrollton Baptist Association and Moderator for the Pastor Conference for two terms. Gerald was involved in many missions--local, state and foreign. He served on the Georgia Baptist Administration Committee and Nomination Committee. He quickly became known and was referred to as "PreacherMan." In furthering his education for the ministry, he completed different courses at North Carolina State, Howard College, Berry College and Carroll Technical Institute. In his retirement years, he operated a small trucking and hauling service all over the county.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, J.B. and Mae Rogers; and brothers, Joe Rogers and Harold Rogers.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Joann Stewart Rogers; his son, Jerry Rogers (Marla); his grandsons, Dr. Luke B. Rogers (Megan) and Jess S. Rogers; two special girls that Papaw nurtured, loved, spoiled and cared for, Stephanie Lamar and Ellie Hanegan; his sisters, Mary Maxwell and Marthanel Ballard (Robert); his brothers, Lindy Rogers (Virginia), and Randall Rogers; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, January 21, 2016, at Rainwater Funeral Home in Bowdon, GA from 5:00-8:00 PM. Memorial services will be held on Friday, January 22, 2016, at 2:00 PM at Bowdon Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing to do so may make donations in Gerald's memory to

Bowdon Baptist Church (P.O. Box 250, Bowdon, GA 30108) or Tanner Hospice (tanner.org).

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **21**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rainwater Funeral Home
317 North Carroll Street
Bowdon, GA 30108
(770) 258-7239
info@rainwaterfuneralhome.com
<https://www.rainwaterfuneralhome.com>

Memorial Service

JAN **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Bowdon Baptist Church
205 Mill Street
Bowdon, GA 30108

Tribute Wall

CI

“ I remember him being just a great guy when we live in Bowdon...Very friendly and seemed to be a great man of God...Praying for you guys..

Chris Irvin

Chris Irvin - February 15, 2016 at 11:08 PM

BH

“ Jerry and Marla, please accept our sincere and deep sympathy in the loss of your Dad. I've heard many people speak of him and he obviously was a wonderful person. Bill and Sharon Hearnburg

Bill Hearnburg - January 22, 2016 at 02:14 PM

AA

“ Ann Anderson lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Ann Anderson - January 21, 2016 at 11:42 PM

PM

“ Our greatest sympathies to Gerald's family. He was a wonderful person, loved and respected by those that knew him. He will be missed by us all.

Phil and Arlene Morgan



Phil Morgan - January 21, 2016 at 07:02 PM

DK

“ Debbie Knowles lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Debbie Knowles - January 21, 2016 at 05:31 PM



“ 53 files added to the album LifeTributes



Rainwater Funeral Home - January 21, 2016 at 03:05 PM

BC

“ Barbara H. Cavender lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Barbara h. Cavender - January 20, 2016 at 03:45 PM

DO

“ Danny And Clay Odom lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Danny and Clay Odom - January 20, 2016 at 10:40 AM

MO

“ Marion Odom lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



marion Odom - January 20, 2016 at 10:39 AM

JG

“ Jimmy & Sara George lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Jimmy & Sara George - January 20, 2016 at 10:13 AM

GM

“ Gordon/Mary McLeroy lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Gordon/Mary McLeroy - January 20, 2016 at 09:55 AM

AS

“ Bro. Rogers spent time with my family during the last few days of my grandmother's life. He prayed with us, consoled us, and more than anything, made it clear that he was there for us no matter what. He had served as her pastor at Abilene for many years and she always spoke so kindly of him. When she passed, he gave a lovely eulogy, and I will remember him for his kindness and loving spirit. My condolences are with his family.

Addie Colwell Solomon - January 20, 2016 at 07:20 AM

TT

“ Trip And Cindy Taylor lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Trip and Cindy Taylor - January 20, 2016 at 07:14 AM

SH

“ Sandra And Danny Harris lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Sandra and Danny Harris - January 19, 2016 at 10:49 PM

CC

“ *My deepest sympathy for your loss! Prayers for Mrs. Joanne and your family.*



Cyndy Crow - January 19, 2016 at 08:19 PM

DR

“ *Joanne and Family - I will always remember Gerald's kindness for performing father and mothers' funerals (Daniel and Teeny) after he was already retired. My sympathy to you all and all his brothers and sisters. Love, Danny Rogers*

Danny Rogers - January 19, 2016 at 07:17 PM

MT

“ *Milinda Thompson lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers*



Milinda Thompson - January 19, 2016 at 06:45 PM



“ *Susan Hyde lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers*



Susan Hyde - January 19, 2016 at 06:17 PM

JM

“ *Janie Meadows lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers*



Janie Meadows - January 19, 2016 at 06:03 PM

JB

“ I WILL MISS YOU SO MUCH MY DEAR FRIEND WE LOVE YOU AND THANKS TO YOU ARE YOUR WIFE FOR DOING SO MUCH FOR US. LOVED COMING TO PICK PEARS AND PURPLE HULLED PEAS PRAYERS FOR YOUR SWEET FAMILY

JANA BLAIR - January 19, 2016 at 02:55 PM

SJ

“ Prayers and sympathy to family and friends. Harold and Sandi Johnson

Sandi Johnson - January 19, 2016 at 02:35 PM



“ Praying for the family!!!! Larry & Charlotte Jumper



Charlotte Garrett Jumper - January 19, 2016 at 01:20 PM

MW

“ Mike And Marsha Wilson lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Mike and Marsha Wilson - January 19, 2016 at 11:13 AM

TL

“ Tim Little lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Tim Little - January 19, 2016 at 10:14 AM



“ My most precious memory of Gerald is the first day meeting my new neighbor. He came by the house to introduce himself and welcome us to Bowdon. When he asked my name, I replied Jo, thinking he didn't hear me, I immediately said Jo, again. It was from that day on he called me Jo-Jo. I didn't want to hurt his feelings and tell him my name was just Jo...not Jo-Jo. Before long the entire town knew me as Jo-Jo. Oh my how I hated that name, since I was a child. :) Finally, after a year and becoming good friends, I confessed to him that I like to be called just Jo or Josephine. We had a good laugh. Miss and love you dearly Gerald. Love to the family and I know I have an new angel on my shoulder. Till we meet again. RIP
Your Jo-Jo

Josephine McKeivitt - January 19, 2016 at 10:12 AM

JM

“ Josephine Ann McKeivitt purchased the Cheryl's Classic Bakery Tower for the family of Bro. Gerald Rogers.



Josephine Ann McKeivitt - January 19, 2016 at 10:08 AM



“ Josephine McKeivitt sent a virtual gift in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Josephine McKeivitt - January 19, 2016 at 10:01 AM



“ Josephine McKeivitt lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Josephine McKeivitt - January 19, 2016 at 10:00 AM



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Josephine McKeivitt - January 19, 2016 at 09:59 AM



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Josephine McKeivitt - January 19, 2016 at 08:54 AM



“ Tanner Hospice Care staff would like to offer our condolences to you during this difficult time and to say thank you for trusting your loved one in our care

Tanner Hospice - January 19, 2016 at 08:09 AM



“ Ann Anderson lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Ann Anderson - January 18, 2016 at 07:20 PM



“ Gloria B. Smith lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers



Gloria B. Smith - January 18, 2016 at 06:04 PM

EP

“ *Edith Powers lit a candle in memory of Bro. Gerald Rogers*



Edith Powers - January 18, 2016 at 04:30 PM