



Burlon W. Commer

February 4, 1937 - November 1, 2019

Rev. Burlon W. Commer, 82, passed away on Friday, November 1, 2019, at St. Dominic Hospital in Jackson, Mississippi. Visitation will be Sunday, November 3 from 4:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Nowell Massey Funeral Home in Louisville, Mississippi. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Monday, November 4 at First Apostolic Church of Louisville with Rev. Steve Boyd officiating assisted by Rev. Glynn Barker. Interment will immediately follow the service.

Burlon was born February 4, 1937, to Charlie and Minnie Lee Burkes Commer. On December 26, 1959, he married his high school sweetheart, Catherine Taylor. He earned an Associate's degree from East Central Community College. Next, he attended Mississippi State University and he finished his Bachelor's degree in English, History and Speech at the University of Southern Mississippi. After graduation, he served as the principal of East Neshoba and Dixon schools in Neshoba County. He was a Bible scholar and a history buff so he enrolled in Bible College. He always enjoyed reading, learning and teaching others whether in the secular fields in which he majored or in a Bible study. Next, he attended the LSU School of Banking and Finance and upon graduation; he began his career in the banking industry at Commercial National Bank in Laurel, Mississippi. In 1977, he answered the call that Jesus placed in his heart and moved to Louisville as the pastor of First Apostolic Church where he faithfully served the congregation for 37 years until his retirement in 2014. One of his favorite hobbies was his

greenhouse where his “green thumb” could grow anything. Another hobby was his talent in woodworking which he used to build several pieces of furniture for their home. He was a wonderful communicator and counseled numerous people during his years in the ministry.

Bro. Commer is survived by his loving wife of almost 60 years Catherine Taylor Commer of Louisville; his daughter Donna Renee DePriest and husband Kent of Collierville, Tennessee; and his son Jimmy Commer and wife Caroline “Boo” also of Louisville. One of his greatest joys was being “Pop” to his three grandchildren: Brent (Molly) DePriest, Jordan DePriest, and Kimberly Commer; and his three great-grandchildren: Sophia, Stella, and Harper DePriest. He is also survived by his sister Mary Lowrey and husband Rev. Bobby Lowrey; and two brothers Jasper Commer and wife Dorothy; and J. W. Commer all of Philadelphia, Mississippi; and his brother-in-law Rev. Lloyd Adcock of Brandon, Mississippi. Bro. Commer also leaves behind to mourn his passing a host of nieces, nephews, and friends all over the world. He is preceded in death by his son Joey Wayne Commer; his parents; his sister Eloise Adcock; and his sister-in-law Gladius Commer.

Serving as pallbearers are Donnie Commer, Terry Commer, Jeffrey Kirkland, Rodney Lowrey, Chris Mitchell, and Donald Joe Nowell. Honorary pallbearers are Paul Adcock and Nathan Commer.

Services are under the direction of Nowell Massey Funeral Home, 724 North Columbus Avenue, Louisville, MS. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family by signing the guest register at www.nowellmasseyfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 3. 4:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Massey Funeral Home
724 N. Columbus Avenue
Louisville, MS 39339
(662) 773-3501
nowellfuneral@bellsouth.net
<https://www.masseyfuneralhome.net/>

Service

NOV 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Apostolic Church
115 E. John C. Stennis Drive
Louisville, MS 39339

Tribute Wall



“ *Burlon W. Commer*

January 29, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ *We have just learned of Brother Commer's passing. Please accept our deepest condolences and prayers for your family.*

James and Lila Kitchens - November 05, 2019 at 09:59 PM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Burlon W. Commer.*



November 03, 2019 at 07:33 PM



“ *Rev. Commer was a inspirational young Principal(Teacher) at East Neshoba school in the late 50`s where I attended. I live in Laurel and was sorry to here of his death announcement at Life Church. May God give you peace. Danny Nelson*

Danny Nelson - November 03, 2019 at 01:17 PM



“ *On behalf of the pastors and saints of the churches in Mexico and myself we send our heartfelt condolences to the entire family. We could never repay all you all have done for us over the years. Our love and prayers are with you all. God bless.*

Mary Mitchell - November 03, 2019 at 12:42 PM

JL

“ *Our condolences, love and prayers for Sis. Commer, Donna, Jimmy and family now and the days ahead.*

Kevin and Jana Larson

Jana Larson - November 03, 2019 at 12:41 PM

KC

“ *Brother Commer was a dear friend and neighbor to my family for many years. He cared about his neighbors and was always there to help. He had such a kind,gentle way of speaking that was such a comfort. My prayers are with you all.*

Kathy Todd Callahan - November 03, 2019 at 11:19 AM

 Corbin Kill

“ *Mrs. DePriest, I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of your father. My family were your neighbors in Cordova. Our prayers are with you all during this time. May God comfort you all with His love and grace.*

Corbin Kill

Pastor, First United Pentecostal Church of Quitman, MS

Corbin Kill - November 03, 2019 at 09:14 AM

CM

Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Catherine and your family, May God comfort and keep you in His care.

Charles & Jean Maness - November 04, 2019 at 09:19 AM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Burlon W. Commer.*



November 03, 2019 at 08:01 AM



“ *So sad to. Hear of Bro. Commer's passing but he is getting his reward for his many years of giving to God's work. Treasure every message I heard him preach. Never will forget the message at Mars Hill on Rizpah! God bless all his family and friends.*

maryreed - November 02, 2019 at 02:40 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Bro. Commer's passing. He was a great man of God who preached truth and had a kind, gentle spirit toward people. He has reached the place he strived for all these years!!*

Arlene King - November 01, 2019 at 11:43 PM



“ *So sorry to read about Bro Commer's passing. I can recall as a young man in my early teens meeting him at the ABoFC campground in Noxapater. From then up to now as a older man, I will always remember him as a Man of God with integrity. A true Man of God who as well not just preached the Word, as well lived by the Word. Prayers for his family.*

Tony Glass - November 01, 2019 at 11:06 PM

PH

“ *Pastor Commer was one of the finest men of our time. He preached God's Word "gun barrel straight". He handled The Word fluently, he handled God's people very gently. He portrayed the most beautiful Jesus, showing us God in the man.*

Paul Halfacre - November 01, 2019 at 10:30 PM

SB

“ *Was a very good pastor and neighbor for many years 🙏🙏 for his sweet family!*

Sheila Barker - November 01, 2019 at 07:09 PM