



## William "Bill" Donald

June 3, 1933 - October 5, 2016

William Eugene Donald was born June 3, 1933 in Winston County and left this world peacefully surrounded by his loving family on October 5, 2016. Visitation will be Thursday, October 6, 2016, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Louisville. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, October 7, 2016, at First Baptist Church with Dr. Don Boone and Dr. Brett Golson officiating. Interment will follow in Murphy Creek Baptist Church Cemetery with Dr. Rob Paul officiating.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Willie Green Donald; his father, Willis "Bill" Donald; his step-mother, Jess Donald; and a son-in-law, Robert Gerald Lightsey.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Ouida Hooks Donald; a son, Dr. Mark Donald (Daphne); two daughters, Valerie Lightsey and Jennifer Raybon (John); 9 grandchildren: Jake Donald (Jessica), Tyler Lightsey (Amber), Whitney Donald, Julie Chaffin (Bryant), Kyle Donald, Taylor Lightsey, Caroline Lightsey, Chandler Raybon, and Lauren Raybon; 6 great-grandchildren: Grant Lightsey, Avery Donald, Kate Lightsey, Liam Donald, Preston Lightsey, and Ruth Chaffin. William is also survived by his sister, Mary Jane Clark (Charles); and two brothers, Charles Donald and Jerry Donald (Jeanette).

Husband, Daddy, Pop, William, Billy Gene—to the outside eye, William lead a

pretty simple life. Raised in Louisville, he married his first love and soon after settled in Louisville and raised his family. He retired after a long successful career in Louisville as an accountant for D & T. He was an active member of First Baptist church for almost 50 years and deacon for over 45 years.

To people that knew him, he was much more. He adored his wife and together they were committed to putting Christ first in their marriage. Their love story and partnership were a true testament of what a marriage should be. He took great pride in his children and grandchildren—they were his pride and joy. His passion was to share his Godly wisdom with them and shower them with the love of Christ.

He also loved his church family. He was not only a committed member of First Baptist, he demonstrated true traits of a disciple of Christ to everyone with whom he came in contact. He loved reading and studying the Scripture and lived it out to his family, friends, coworkers and our community. He was truly righteous, about as close to a saint as anyone could be. The love for his family, friends, church family, coworkers and community came from his love and passion for Jesus Christ.

Matthew 25:21 sums up the life of William Donald—it reads, “His master replied, Well done, good and faithful servant.” His family, friends, church family, and coworkers can attest that William’s Master greeted him in Heaven with these words.

Serving as pallbearers are Jake Donald, Tyler Lightsey, Kyle Donald, Taylor Lightsey, Steve Simpson, and James Higgason. Memorial contributions in honor of Mr. Donald may be given to North Mississippi Emmaus Community Scholarship Fund, c/o Kailey Burroughs, 207 S. Wells Street, Kosciusko, MS 39090.

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](http://www.nowellmasseyfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Murphy Creek Baptist Church Cemetery

5379 Bond Road  
Louisville, MS 39339

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
205 S. Church Avenue  
Louisville, MS 39339

## Service

OCT 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
205 S. Church Avenue  
Louisville, MS 39339

# Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" Donald*

January 29, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ *Dan, Tom and the AGD Staff purchased the Peaceful Rest for the family of William "Bill" Donald.*



**Dan, Tom and the AGD Staff** - October 11, 2016 at 12:24 PM



“ *Mrs. Donald, Valerie, Mark and Jennifer, I have so many fond memories of Mr. Donald from church and being at your house growing up. He always had a smile on his face! My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

*Mary Beth Statham Davis*

**Mary Beth Davis** - October 10, 2016 at 12:10 PM



“ *So very saddened to hear this, he was one of the sweetest men I have ever met, with a caring gentle spirit. Will be lifting the family in prayer asking God to comfort them now and in the days ahead as only He can do ❤️🙏 love n prayers to all , Beverly Johnson*

**Beverly Johnson** - October 07, 2016 at 11:06 PM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Donald.*



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October 07, 2016 at 04:58 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. Praying that our Lord will wrap each of you in His loving comfort now and in the days to come. Pam Thomas*

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**Pam Thomas** - October 07, 2016 at 08:57 AM



“ *Mr. Bill has always been a beacon of love to my family. We are ever grateful for he and Miss Quida and the way they live Jesus every day. Young families can certainly take notes from their daily walk to see Jesus in their sweet lives.*

*Mike & Kathy Rogers*

*Brock Rogers*

*Corey and Rainey Coffman*

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**Mike Rogers** - October 07, 2016 at 07:58 AM



“ *Ouida, I am in Louisiana and am so sorry to hear of Bill's death. I'm praying that God will comfort all of you as only He can do. I never ran into Bill that he didn't have a grin and a pleasant greeting. He will be missed. Love you. Gloria Joiner*

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**Gloria Joiner** - October 06, 2016 at 09:40 PM



“ *Jewell Hill*

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**Jewell Hill** - October 06, 2016 at 09:00 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Donald.*



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October 06, 2016 at 05:13 PM