



Rev. David E. Walker

March 17, 1941 - September 14, 2021

The Dash, “So when your eulogy is being read, with your life’s actions to rehash, would you be proud of the things they say about how you lived your dash?” As a minister, “The Dash” was the subject of one of David’s favorite sermons and he fulfilled his dash, dying late Tuesday afternoon, September 14th 2021 at his residence outside of Lexington.

David was the youngest of six children born to the late Lucian Metelious and Ida Mae Anderson Walker on March 17, 1941 in the Chesterfield Community of Henderson County. It’s on this land, the same that began with his great great grandfather where he would spend his entire life with his family. In describing David, he was bi-vocational in every sense of the word. He was a pastor for over 40 years and the churches he pastored included Beacon Baptist, Bath Springs Baptist, Piney Creek Baptist, Pine Grove Baptist, and then Union Baptist, his home church, for 28 years. He was a pastor and mentor, performed many weddings and funerals, and those church families also became his family.

In addition, he had another full career with Century / Magnetek retiring in 2004 after forty years of service. It was here that he excelled as an integral part of their operation. He self-taught himself, at home, on the first computers released as he saw that this was the path for the future. He then used that knowledge to implement what he had learned into the manufacturing process at Magnetek to improve efficiencies throughout the plant and raising quality

control to new heights. David's talents were shared with factories all around which allowed him to travel the world. And if this wasn't enough, David was a 32 degree Mason and Shriner being a part of the Cheap Valley Lodge in Chesterfield and the Constantine Lodge in Lexington. He was also a member of the amateur radio relay league as a licensed amateur radio (HAM) operator. For the family, friends, and former coworkers, David will be missed as wise mentor and a gentle source of guidance.

David is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Mary Ann Dickson Walker along with his two children, a daughter Shari (Mike) Smith and a son, Mark (Jayme) Walker; grandsons: Garrett (Elizabeth) Smith, Andrew Smith and Jack Walker; great granddaughters: Emmaline and Elaina Smith. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his sisters Annie Reed, Thelma Fronabarger, Melba Duke and his brothers Charles Leon Walker, and Fred Walker.

Visitation with the Walker family and the funeral service will be held at First Baptist Church of Lexington where they were members. The family will receive friends from 3 – 8 PM Thursday and 9 AM – until the time of service at 11:00 AM Friday at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Mike Thrower and Rev. Clay Hallmark officiating. Burial will follow in the Union Cemetery in the Chesterfield Community, the same land which was donated by his predecessors. For David Walker, he can proclaim, "I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith" and, my dash is complete.

Cemetery Details

Union Cemetery

Chesterfield, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 16. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
Stanford Avenue
Lexington, TN

Visitation

SEP 17. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
Stanford Avenue
Lexington, TN

Church Service

SEP 17. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
Stanford Avenue
Lexington, TN

Tribute Wall



“ Pafford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rev. David E. Walker



Pafford Funeral Home - September 16, 2021 at 12:35 PM



“ Mary Blackwell lit a candle in memory of Rev. David E. Walker



Mary Blackwell - September 18, 2021 at 10:26 AM



“ Dana lit a candle in memory of Rev. David E. Walker



Dana - September 16, 2021 at 08:48 PM

DA

“ When I was 14, I needed a place to live. The Walkers took me in. I don't have a lot of memories with him because I was only there for a short time. I am so grateful that he took me in and gave me shelter, food and safety. He also was always very kind to me and never hurt me mentally, emotionally or physically. He helped me get health care for my ulcers. David Walker was a very good man and I will always remember him as one of the few examples of a really good Christian man in my childhood.

My condolences to the family. With Love, Dana (Powers)

Dana - September 16, 2021 at 08:46 PM



“ 161 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pafford Funeral Home - September 16, 2021 at 12:32 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. David E. Walker.



September 16, 2021 at 10:47 AM

BW

“ *Barbara Willis lit a candle in memory of Rev. David E. Walker*



Barbara Willis - September 15, 2021 at 11:43 PM

BW

So sorry for your loss, Prayers for the family.

Barbara Willis - September 15, 2021 at 11:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. David E. Walker.*



September 15, 2021 at 10:05 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Rev. David E. Walker.*



September 15, 2021 at 08:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. David E. Walker.*



September 15, 2021 at 08:38 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Rev. David E. Walker*



September 15, 2021 at 05:39 PM



“ *David was a Classmate and Friend, and Will be Missed in The Community!*

Bill & Kaye Rhodes

Bill Rhodes - September 15, 2021 at 05:27 PM



“ *Tim & Jane Sikes lit a candle in memory of Rev. David E. Walker*



Tim & Jane Sikes - September 15, 2021 at 04:42 PM

DS

“ I called him “Uncle David”. He and Aunt Mary loved my mom and practically helped raised me and my sisters from the time I was born. I loved him so much. He will always hold a special place in my heart.

Deanne Sanders - September 15, 2021 at 04:31 PM



“ Ringed by Love was purchased for the family of Rev. David E. Walker.



September 15, 2021 at 02:01 PM

MO

“ Marilyn Owens lit a candle in memory of Rev. David E. Walker



marilyn owens - September 15, 2021 at 01:59 PM

MO

My love to all of you, David was a good friend, boss, and gentleman. My sincere condolences to all of you. 🙏❤️😭

marilyn owens - September 15, 2021 at 02:06 PM

MO

My sincere condolences to all of you. May you find peace and comfort in the days ahead. David was a good friend, boss and gentleman and I am so happy to have known him for so many years.

marilyn owens - September 15, 2021 at 02:14 PM

PC

Mary Ann, so sorry for your loss. May God be with you and your family during this time. Penny Duck Cagle

Penny Duck Cagle - September 15, 2021 at 02:19 PM


Beverly
Carrington
Wall

“ Oh MY!!! Mary Ann, Shari and the rest of the family. I don't know where to start!!! Y'all were such a comfort, including me into your family from the very beginning. Even though we moved away, we still carried y'all in our hearts. When Eddie died, y'all were right there until the funeral was over and then some. Can u imagine the Praise with Eddie leading the songs and David leading the Praise of our Lord and Savior? Words cannot begin to cover the sorrow I know y'all must share Prayers for comfort going up. Much love and hugs. Beverly Carrington Wall

Beverly Carrington Wall - September 15, 2021 at 01:26 PM

JH

“ Janice Houston lit a candle in memory of Rev. David E. Walker



Janice Houston - September 15, 2021 at 12:51 PM

DB

“ Danny&Shelia Beecham lit a candle in memory of Rev. David E. Walker



Danny&Shelia Beecham - September 15, 2021 at 09:58 AM

JS

“ *Jerry Stegall lit a candle in memory of Rev. David E. Walker*



Jerry Stegall - September 14, 2021 at 11:43 PM