



Dr. Bob Holifield

August 27, 1921 - January 10, 2014

Dr. Bob Holifield age 92 of Laurel died Friday, January 10, 2014 at Wesley Medical Center in Hattiesburg. Funeral service will be held Tuesday at 11:00 am at First Baptist Church of Laurel. Dr. Randy Turner, Rev Bert Jones, Dr. Bob Hilbun, Judge Charles Pickering and Mr. William Wells will officiate. Burial will be at Hickory Grove Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 9:00 am Tuesday at the church. Dr. Bob was a member of First Baptist Church of Laurel, where he served as a Deacon. He was active in several professional dental associations, a member of the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners, and has served as past president of The Laurel Lions Club. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard. He attended Jones County Junior College as a pre-dental student and later graduated from the University of Tennessee School of Dentistry with a Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1950. He help organized the Mississippi Catfish Farmers Association and served as the first President of the group. He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed trophy hunting in Mississippi, Alaska, British Columbia and the Rocky Mountains. He enjoyed bee keeping and marketed his honey in Jones County. He was co-founder of the Honduras Baptist Dental Mission in 1974 and served a year with the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in the Gambia, West Africa in 1985-86. He is preceded in death by his parents J.C. and Millie Holifield, three brothers and three sisters. He is survived by his wife of 62 years Jeanne Holifield of Laurel; three sons, Dr. Brad Holifield and his wife Cena of Hattiesburg, Mark Holifield and his wife Laura of Houston, TX, Clay Holifield of

Laurel; one sister, Dot Cirlot of Moss Point; and four granddaughters, Elise Holifield, Kristin Holifield, Erin Holifield and Hannah Lindsey Holifield and a host of nieces and nephews. Serving as pallbearers will be Men of Loving Action. Honorary pallbearers will be the Adult V Men Sunday School Class. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Dynamic Dyslexia Design, The 3-D School, 120 South George Street, Petal, MS 39465 or Honduras Baptist Dental Mission PO Box 2704 Laurel, MS 39442. To view and sign the family guestbook go to [www. memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com)

Tribute Wall

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“ Our deepest condolences to the Holifield family. Dr. Bob was one of our favorite people and we feel blessed to have known him. What a beautiful legacy he leaves.

The Pitts Family Floyd & Frances Kay & Steve Hughes

Kay Pitts Hughes - January 14, 2014 at 05:47 PM

GB

“ Truly, truly one of the most amazing Christian men I have ever known---George Blackledge

George L. Blackledge - January 14, 2014 at 04:25 PM

JD

“ Was deeply sadden to hear of your lost. Dr.Holifield will be greatly missed. I knew him from the Bee Club in Laurel. He was always there to help.

Sincerely yours,

Joe and Linda Downing

Joe Downing - January 14, 2014 at 01:13 PM

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“ Dr. Bob leaves an unparalleled legacy. He touched thousands of lives locally and internationally, many life changing. Our prayers are with the family as they celebrate his life and home going. Hudie Charles Holifield and son, Chad Taylor Holifield.

Hudie Charles Holifield - January 14, 2014 at 08:57 AM

DS

“ Clay, we just heard about your dad. Our prayers are with you!

David & Susie Schutz - January 13, 2014 at 09:17 PM

OG

“ So sorry to hear of your sorrow. Thinking of you and you have my deepest heartfelt sympathy. 4P

Ottie Jean Gray - January 13, 2014 at 07:21 PM