



Donald Bruce Temple

April 8, 1960 - April 22, 2019

Donald Temple, age 59, passed away peacefully on April 22, 2019, 4:20 AM at his home, surrounded by his family. Don was born on April 8, 1960 in Laurel, Mississippi to Joyce and H.B. Temple. He spent his childhood in the Laurel/Stringer area and enjoyed academics and had a profound love of nature. He was an active teen despite an early age diagnosis of Type I diabetes. Some of his fondest memories included time spent on his Grandpa's farm, cooking, taking care of livestock and most importantly fishing in the creek with his Granny.

Later in life, Don became an employee of Ellisville State School (ESS) where he met the love of his life Linda. They were married on September 10, 1983. Together, they had two children, Matthew and Donna. After the birth of his daughter, Don followed in his mother's footsteps and became a Registered Nurse. He spent the majority of his nursing career working at ESS.

In 2004 at the age of 44, Don was forced to retire from his beloved nursing career due to chronic health issues. Don remained an active member of First Baptist Church of Ovet. He loved the Lord and tried to live a life that reflected a Christ like image. In the days prior to his death, Don wrote "Death has no power over me. I have no doubt that I will go home and be with Jesus."

Don was preceded in death by his mother Joyce Perrett, his father H.B. Temple, his brother, Phillip Temple, grandparents, Bolton & Ettie Mae Ulmer and H.B. and Nonnie Temple.

He is survived by his loving wife of 34 years Linda, son Matthew Temple

(Kerri), daughter Donna Collins (Bailey), his grandchildren Katie, Hayden and Clayton Allen and Audrey Collins, step-father Joe Perrett (Sherry), brothers Terry Temple, Tracy Perrett (Karen) and sister Vicki Gordon (Geno) as well as a host of in-laws, nieces, nephews and extended family.

Pallbearers will be the men of the First Baptist Church of Overt: Grady Scarbrough, Howard Graham, Danny Dykes, Mike Graham, Clyde Warden and friends: Patrick Collins, Lee Backstrom and Holland James

Honorary Pallbearers will be Charles Bradshaw, Waylon Walker, Danny Collins, Charles Eaks, Randy Landrum, Tommy Shows and Colton Warden.

Visitation will be Wednesday, April 24, at Memory Chapel Funeral Home from 5 until 8 p.m. Funeral services will be held Thursday, 10:00 AM, at Fellowship Baptist Church, with the body placed in the church at 9:00AM. Services will be officiated by Brother Steve Kelly and Bro. Henry Freeman. Interment will follow in the Union Cemetery.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **24.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home
3100 Audubon Drive
P. O. Box 674
Laurel, MS 39440
(601) 428-5235
memorychapel@comcast.net
<https://www.memorychapel-laurel.com/>

Service

APR **25.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Fellowship Baptist Church
1069 Ovet Moselle Rd
Ellisville, MS 39437

Tribute Wall

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“ Linda,
My deepest sympathy to you and your family
at this time of loss. I pray that your memories
together will bring you great comfort. I know
that your faith in the knowledge that you will
see each other again one day will sustain you day by day, and bring
you peace.



Caroline Passmore - April 25, 2019 at 04:43 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of
Donald Bruce Temple.



April 24, 2019 at 03:58 PM



“ My deepest condolences of sympathy to Don's family. Don was a
good man, I worked with him at FGH for some time. He loved
Nursing and we all loved working with him. He was always so kind
to all of us and the patients he took under his care. My prayers are
with the family during this most painful time.

Danny Palmer - April 24, 2019 at 07:53 AM

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“ *Linda and Family,*

I was so saddened to hear of Don's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of grief. May God be with you and your family.

Rhonda & Steve Eick

Rhonda Eick - April 23, 2019 at 09:10 PM



“ *The Reba & Holly Varner family send our deepest sympathy and love in this time of sorrow...*

Holly Varner - April 23, 2019 at 04:48 PM