



Lem Daniel Watts, Jr.

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L. Daniel Watts, Jr. (Dan) went to be with his Savior on July 27, 2016 at UMMC in Jackson.

Visitation will be from 4 until 7 p.m. Friday, July 29, 2016, at First Baptist Church-Sharon, Laurel, MS. Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church-Sharon, with interment at Sharon Cemetery. Rev. Ron Byres and Rev. Maged Boles will officiate. Memory Chapel in Laurel is handling arrangements.

Bro. Dan has served his Lord in the ministry for 53 years, serving churches in Arizona, Nevada, Mississippi, and Tennessee. At the time of his Heavenly homecoming, he was serving as interim pastor of First Baptist Church Sharon. He had served FBC-Sharon as pastor from 2001-2009 before his retirement in 2009. He and Vicky were members at Barfield Baptist Church in Murfreesboro, TN where they went to make their home in 2009. He was a veteran of the U. S. Navy.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Martha and L. D. (Red) Watts, Sr. of Jackson.

He is survived by his beloved helpmate of 49 years, Vicky; his cherished daughter, Amanda W. Sewall (Amy) and her husband, Brad of Brandon, MS; the love of his life grandson, Zac Sewall of Brandon; brother, Tom Watts and his wife, Judy of Madison, MS; niece, Shelly Dognazzi and her husband, Joe of Boston, MA; great niece, Elizabeth Dognazzi of Boston, MA and many cousins and church families to cherish his memory.

Pallbearers will be Brad Sewall, Zac Sewall, Tom Watts, Joe Dognazzi, David Hall, Bobby Francis, and Nathan Ghattes. Honorary pallbearers will be the Deacons of First Baptist Church-Sharon.

Many thanks to the loving staff of 1st floor of South Central Regional Medical Center in Laurel, MS, UMMC 5th floor South and ICU; and special thanks to Dr. Kim at SCRMC, Dr. Carter Milner and her staff at UMMC, and UMMC Cancer Institute.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to FBC-Sharon Building Fund, Barfield Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, TN Building Fund, Gideon's International, UMMC in Jackson, MS, or Arabic Baptist Church in Murfreesboro, TN.

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

Cemetery Details

Sharon Cemetery

4375 Sharon Road
Laurel, MS 39443

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **29**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Sharon
4375 Sharon Road
Laurel, MS 39443

Service

JUL **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lem Daniel Watts, Jr..*



July 29, 2016 at 11:22 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Bro. Dan. He and Vicky served our Church, First Baptist in Durant, several years ago. We were blessed with the time they were here in Durant. Jan and Dale McBride*

Dale McBride - July 29, 2016 at 06:13 PM



“ *Some of my earliest (and best) childhood memories are of being at Raymond Road Baptist Church with my parents and listening to Bro. Dan preach. He was such a great pastor, our family loved him dearly. He led me to know Jesus and baptized me. Look forward to seeing him in Heaven! Ms Vicky & Amy, we are praying for your family. Love in Christ, Tami*

Tami Shelton Davis - July 29, 2016 at 06:09 PM

PV

“ *Brother Dan was my first pastor after becoming a christian as an adult. He was a mentor in church leadership and set a foundation in me for ministry. I still laugh about when I played on the RRBC softball team that Brother Dan coached. I wasn't a christian at the time and my language had more expletives than Brother Dan was used to. When the opposing bench complained, Brother Dan gracefully approached me and asked me to not use those words. I turned to him puzzled explaining that 'all I said was x#f@4k%* and %#=y6*#' he turned 5 shades of red, puffed up, went pale and almost fainted ... priceless! Love you Bro Dan, see you at Home Plate.*

Pete Villari

Pete Villari - July 29, 2016 at 02:26 PM

DS

*Vicki, We were so sorry to hear the sad news. Thankful for the years we had with you at FBC Durant. Know that you and all the family are in our thoughts and prayers.
On His Love, Doug and Donna Self*

Doug and Donna Self - July 29, 2016 at 07:39 PM



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July 29, 2016 at 11:19 AM

BE

“ Vicky, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family from our family. You have been dear friends of ours for over 40 years. Thank you and Bro. Watts for your service and for being there for our family. We love you. Barbara, David, and Holly Edwards

Barbara Edwards - July 29, 2016 at 11:13 AM

TM

“ The Dognazzi Family, Boston, Massachusetts purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Lem Daniel Watts, Jr..



The Dognazzi Family, Boston, Massachusetts - July 29, 2016 at 11:05 AM

VS

“ We have been close friends with Vicky and Danny since college days, Vicky and I since elementary school days. We enjoyed a visit with them this past Christmas season, and will now cherish that time with them even more. Vicky, our love and prayers are with you and Amy. Danny, we will see you again. Gaye and Vernon Sikes

Vernon and Gayden Sikes - July 28, 2016 at 07:07 PM

DW

“ With great sorrow we acknowledge the death of friend and fellow servant Dan Watts. We pray our Lord's love, comfort, and strength for the family. Since mid-teen years we have enjoyed friendship and brotherhood. We will continue to pray for Vicky, Amy and family.

Dsn and Rachel West - July 28, 2016 at 12:30 PM

JM

“ *What a blessing to have known and loved Bro.Dan! He left such a mark on both our family and our church family. Our love, thoughts, and prayers are with you during this time.*

Jennifer Myrick

jennifer Myrick - July 28, 2016 at 12:18 PM