

## Rev. David Self

July 15, 1958 - September 4, 2021

Rev. David Allen Self, 63, passed away on Saturday, September 4, 2021. Funeral services will be held at 11 AM on Saturday, September 11, 2021 in Victory Baptist Church with Rev. Tim Oliver and Rev. Terry Cliett officiating.

Graveside services will be held at 3 PM in Macon Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 4 PM until 6 PM on Friday, September 10, 2021 in Lakeside Baptist Church.

Rev. David Self was a native of Macon, Georgia. He was the son of the late Jessie Lee and Mary Annie Redden Self. He earned his Bachelors Degree in Christianity from Mercer University and a Masters of Divinity from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY. He served at Houston Heights Baptist Church in Macon before moving to Milledgeville and becoming the Director of Missions at Washington Baptist Association where he has served for the last 22 years. He is a member of Lakeside Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy Self of Milledegville; daughter, Kelly Carter (Justin) of Marietta; son, Jonathan David Self (Chrissy)of Warner Robins; and sisters, Eileen Self of Cochran, and Joyce Knowles (Freddie) of Woodstock.

Flowers accepted and for those who wish, expressions of sympathy may be made to Gideons International.

# Cemetery Details

## Macon Memorial Park

3969 Mercer University Dr.  
Macon, GA 31204

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **10**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lakeside Baptist Church  
1023 Milledgeville Hwy.  
U S Highway 441 North  
Milledgeville, GA 31061  
<http://www.lakesidebaptistchurch.org/>

## Funeral Services

SEP **11**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Victory Baptist Church  
640 Meriweather Rd.  
Milledgeville, GA 31061

# Tribute Wall



“ Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory created a Webcast will start approximately 10 minutes before the service in memory of Rev. David Self



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - September 11, 2021 at 11:13 AM

LR

“ David was a cousin to James Redden who was called home on April 24, 2020. David was always kind and considerate when we visited his home in Macon. He and his brother and sisters always made us feel welcome and part of the family. Our circle has been broken but time will complete the circle of our lives. He is now with his heavenly father. Love you David. You will be missed.

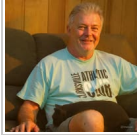
Liz Redden - September 13, 2021 at 10:28 PM

DR

“ Thank you for being my friend. I miss you. I look forward to seeing you in heaven! David Ray



David Ray - September 11, 2021 at 08:50 AM



“ David was a sweet and caring man about 6 years ago when kidneys stones and had to them and removed was alone at hospital i remember David saying i was not a lone and that he would praying for me I met David I believe at believe at Northside Baptist church I'm no longer a Baptist I'm a Christian go to a NoN denominational church Chapel Hill Church of Christ in Macon ga. Just been a few months since I seen David and his wife and Chile's restaurant. David will be missed greatly he was also my Facebook friend may you rest in peace David you have my sincere heartfelt condolences I'm so sorry for your loss prayers 🙏 sent.



Deborah Durden - September 10, 2021 at 11:21 PM



“ David will be missed by so many including myself. He had a true passion and urgency to tell others about the love of Jesus! Our prayers are with Kathy, Kelly, and Jon during this time!

Renee Mosley - September 10, 2021 at 11:30 AM



“ David was a kind and compassionate person. He always gave so much to others with a cheerful spirit. He was a great conversationalist and I always enjoyed talking to him. Kathy, Kelly and John, I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Rebecca Brown

Rebecca Brown - September 09, 2021 at 06:11 PM

RB

“ *Rebecca Brown lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self*



Rebecca Brown - September 09, 2021 at 05:59 PM

CC

“ *Cousin, Gale Chance lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self*



Cousin, Gale Chance - September 09, 2021 at 05:05 PM



“ *95 files added to the tribute wall*



Chrissy Self - September 08, 2021 at 05:43 PM

GH

“ Growing up, David was everyone's best friend. He attracted friends because he was fair, kind, generous and treated everyone as a best friend would. His parents were great Christian role models and some of the best neighbors you could imagine. I am sorry I did not keep in touch during our adult years as I can tell from the postings here, he was a best friend and guiding light for so many. On behalf of my entire family, please accept our deepest sympathies and condolences.

*Gerald Hulett*

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**Gerald Hulett** - September 08, 2021 at 05:22 PM

JJ

“ David was my Pastor when I got saved many years ago. I loved hearing him speak of Jesus with passion. Very Godly man. He was not afraid to speak the word of God. You'll always be in my heart.

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**Jim Jones** - September 08, 2021 at 12:14 PM

RN

“ My wife Kay heard David preach on a Sunday at Mosleyville Baptist Church in Milledgeville. She tells me that after the service David who had an umbrella walked every little lady to their cars so they wouldn't get wet. I mean EVERY little lady which took a while. I had the blessing of getting to know him at The Kitchens Road Festival. He opened every year with a prayer and on Sunday he preached. Like the umbrella his prayers are still covering all of us who were so blessed to have know him. See you soon my precious brother. Life is like a vapor.

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**Randy & Kay Newton** - September 08, 2021 at 08:56 AM

RT

“ David was a classmate of mine at Mercer University. He was kind and always had a good word to share. Most of all I remember that he was kind and compassionate to Kathy. My prayers continue to be with the family in the days ahead. There will be a void where David once stood and proclaimed Jesus.



*Rev Keith Turner*

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**Rev Keith Turner** - September 08, 2021 at 12:42 AM



“ Such a godly man and a blessing to all the pastor's in the Washington Baptist Association. He is experiencing what he spent a lifetime proclaiming.

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**Chris Wasson** - September 07, 2021 at 11:05 PM



“ David was true man of God, he baptized Me and my family at Houston Heights. He will be truly missed. My deepest thoughts and prayers for Kathy, Kelly and Jonathan.

*Nora Jones*

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**Nora Jones** - September 07, 2021 at 06:46 PM

DD

“ *Epitaph*  
By Merrit Malloy

*When I die  
Give what's left of me away  
To children  
And old men that wait to die.*

*And if you need to cry,  
Cry for your brother  
Walking the street beside you.  
And when you need me,  
Put your arms  
Around anyone  
And give them  
What you need to give to me.*

*I want to leave you something,  
Something better  
Than words  
Or sounds.*

*Look for me  
In the people I've known  
Or loved,  
And if you cannot give me away,  
At least let me live on in your eyes  
And not your mind.*

*You can love me most  
By letting  
Hands touch hands,  
By letting bodies touch bodies,  
And by letting go  
Of children  
That need to be free.*

*Love doesn't die,  
People do.  
So, when all that's left of me  
Is love,  
Give me away.*

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**Dwight Duhon** - September 07, 2021 at 06:32 PM

LW

“ *Lori And Benny Watson lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self*



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**Lori and Benny Watson** - September 07, 2021 at 05:55 PM

DN

“ *I am so sorry to hear of the news. I am a cousin to David. My mom Elizabeth Redden Nixon and his mom Annie Redden Self are sisters. I always remember David as being such a humble person and was always so kind to me and each time we would visit his parents, he would come to visit to see his Aunt Liz and Uncle Bo. God bless you.*

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**Dan Nixon** - September 07, 2021 at 04:56 PM

LG

“ *Lynn Garland lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self*



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**Lynn Garland** - September 07, 2021 at 03:51 PM

AB

“ I want to express my deepest sympathies to Kathy, Kelly & Jonathan, and the rest of the Self family! The world has truly lost a shining light. I remember all the good times I had with David and Kathy growing up at Cherokee Heights Baptist Church.

*Kathy, my mom, Judy Rose, wanted me to tell you how much she thought of David! We are praying for you all. Amy Rose Brantley*

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**Amy Rose Brantely** - September 07, 2021 at 03:04 PM



“ God’s man. A true Christian Warrior. Fought for revival. It is happening. Just one of his many accomplishments. Praying peace all around the family. In Jesus name Amen. We will miss him. Hoyt and Judy Sanders

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**Judy Sanders** - September 07, 2021 at 02:53 PM

CB

“ One of the most Godly men I've had the pleasure of knowing. We are praying for Mrs. Kathy, Kelly and Jonathan during this time. The Brown Family - Lakeside Baptist Church

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**Chris Brown** - September 07, 2021 at 02:19 PM

GS

“ Although we did not know David personally, we have heard good things about him and his ministry and have prayerfully followed his illness through family and friends. As fellow natives of middle Georgia and as Mercer and SBTS alumni, we feel a bond. We are praying for Kathy, Kelly and Jonathan to know God’s comfort and strength and wisdom and peace.

*George and Carolyn Smith*

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**George and Carolyn Smith** - September 07, 2021 at 02:06 PM

BD

“ John and I thought the world of David. We knew him, but when we went to West Virginia we had a very productive trip and lots of laughs and fun! He will be missed. He loved his job and did it well. We are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

John and Barbara Duggan  
Tennille Baptist Church

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**Barbara Duggan** - September 07, 2021 at 01:44 PM

FL

“ To the Self Family, so sorry to hear of the loss of Bro. David. He was a sweet godly man that loved everyone. Always enjoyed our little talks at the Huddle House on the mornings he would stop in for Breakfast. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. The family will be in my thoughts and prayers in this difficult time. Fly high Bro. David I know you and God are having some awesome congratulations up in Heaven.



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**Fay Leverett** - September 07, 2021 at 01:33 PM

BK

“ Brother David was an awesome pastor, loyal friend, and a true warrior for Jesus. He cared about others even when most would have turned their backs. He went where he was needed, and shared the love of Jesus. He was a loving person and a kind soul. He baptised me on Halloween Day many years ago, and we both agreed that the day was perfect for celebrating my salvation and acceptance into the kingdom of God. One of the best examples that he ever taught me, was to love people 'where they are'. Bless you Brother David for being the light that this world needed. I ask for the Lord to comfort Kathy, family and all those his life touched.

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**Becky Koch** - September 07, 2021 at 01:10 PM



“ Kathy -- I am so sorry to hear of this terrible loss. David was one of the best men I've ever known. A kind, funny, and generous person. Some of my best memories of seminary days were with David. We will be praying for you in this terrible loss.

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**Jim Cobban** - September 07, 2021 at 12:07 PM

SR

“ What a true blessing and example he was as one of God's chosen servants. Many souls came to know our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ through having known David Self. He will forever be missed by everyone that knew him. My thoughts and prayers are with Kathy, his children and family.



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**Susan Roberts** - September 07, 2021 at 11:23 AM

CB

When I met him I felt I had always known him. A genuinely good person who served his calling well. His family is in my thoughts and prayers.  
Huge loss for us but Heaven is happy to welcome him home...a good and faithful servant...well done David.

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**Cecille Brown** - September 07, 2021 at 12:13 PM

DD

“ David was an extreme example of the phrase, "Preach the gospel and if necessary use words." Until we meet again!

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**Dwight Duhon** - September 07, 2021 at 10:49 AM

SW

“ *Scott Williams lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self*



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**Scott Williams** - September 07, 2021 at 09:44 AM

DM

“ *The Jewell Baptist Church Family extends to you our love and prayers as we give thanks for the life and ministry of our Brother David Self. He was always kind in his availability to our church and encouraging in his words of affirmation. We are thankful for his ministry to the Washington Baptist Association and to our church. May the God of all comfort bless you in these challenging days.*

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**David Miller** - September 07, 2021 at 09:19 AM

JS

“ *Judy And Hoyt Sanders lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self*



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**Judy and Hoyt Sanders** - September 07, 2021 at 09:17 AM

LM

“ *Lawana Mize lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self*



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**Lawana Mize** - September 07, 2021 at 12:23 AM

KN

“ *Kathy and Family so sorry for your loss. Your family will be in our prayers.*

*Carolyn, Kathy, Karen Nolan*



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**Kathy Nolan** - September 06, 2021 at 10:58 PM

CM

“ *To Cathy and family,  
Please accept my heartfelt condolences in the loss of David . The Self Family was one of the first families I met when I first came to Cherokee Hghts . As a preteen he was on our bus ministry team and would pick up my oldest son on Sunday mornings. The influence he shared was phenomenal. That was 45 plus years ago. His dedication to our Lord and his family was evident to everyone. I praise God for every remembrance of David . Blessings and Prayers, Cheryl Meadows*



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**Cheryl Meadows** - September 06, 2021 at 10:00 PM

KW

“ *I will always be thankful for the opportunity to serve on the search committee of the WBA in 1999-2000 as we asked God to lead us to our next Director of Missions. God heard our prayers and led us to David Self. David served faithfully and compassionately. He was a true lover of the Lord Jesus and His church.*

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**Ken Walker** - September 06, 2021 at 09:41 PM

BJ

“ *Bonnie Johnson lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self*



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**bonnie johnson** - September 06, 2021 at 07:56 PM

AB

“ *I am crushed by the loss of my first friend in Middle Georgia, David Self. As a pastor, it's very difficult to find someone with whom you can immediately hit it off and instinctively know you can trust. David was that way. He was a friend to all pastors, and I am one who was encouraged tremendously every time we talked. My prayer is that his legacy, particularly his heart for the Body of Christ, will never be forgotten. I, for one, will miss him terribly.*

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**Anthony C. Baker, Bethlehem Baptist** - September 06, 2021 at 07:54 PM

SP

“ *Sarah Parker lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self*



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**sarah parker** - September 06, 2021 at 07:06 PM

SP

“ *i meet david at my church friend ship church and he was a good pearson and the last time i seen him was at homecoming at our church he will surely be missed kathy you and the famil are in my prayers*

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**sarah parker** - September 06, 2021 at 07:06 PM

WS

“ *Bro. David, my cousin, was a truly good and Godly man, and he was a beloved friend. Our hearts are broken.*

William J Self - September 06, 2021 at 04:33 PM

PM

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paul may - September 06, 2021 at 03:39 PM

PM

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paul may - September 06, 2021 at 03:35 PM

PM

“ *David was a dedicated and caring member of the Milledgeville Lions Club. He was instrumental in the Club obtaining funds to purchase a vision screening device to test vision in children as young as 6 months. As a result the Milledgeville Lions have screened almost 2,000 children and have found potential vision problems in numerous children. Lion David will be missed by our Club and the community.*

paul may - September 06, 2021 at 03:32 PM

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**paul may** - September 06, 2021 at 03:22 PM

ST

“ David and Kathy were always a welcome sight when they came to Hardwick. And it was a treat if he was able to come into our Sunday School class as I looked forward to his insights on the lesson as well as those he presented when he preached. He always greeted my husband and I warmly as a friend whether we saw him at church or out in the community. His leadership in the Baptist Association will be greatly missed, but he has left a Godly legacy for us all. My prayers are for comfort to Kathy, his children, and loved ones.

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**Susan Taylor** - September 06, 2021 at 01:08 PM

JB

“ I grew up next door to the Selfs. David taught me so much. He taught me to play chess and Risk. He was my first karate teacher. He taught me good morals and character. But most importantly he taught me about Jesus Christ. He led me to Christ as a young boy as my youth Pastor at Cherokee Heights on Napier Ave. He has been a spiritual advisor to me my entire life. I will see you again one day my friend. The world is a darker place without your light.

Johnny Burel - September 06, 2021 at 12:22 PM

GP

“ Gary & Bonnie Pennington lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self



Gary & Bonnie Pennington - September 06, 2021 at 12:08 PM

LM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Luther & Berta and Friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.



LUTHER G MINOR - September 06, 2021 at 10:01 AM

ET

“ I first met David through WBA Men on Mission and later we worked together on Carpenters for Christ and hurricane relief missions. He was a tireless servant for the Lord and shared the love of Jesus to everyone he encountered. He gave us so many down to earth, humble examples of how to share the good news of Christ with others. I am blessed to know David. We will all miss him and our prayers are with you all.  
Eddy Turner

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**Eddy Turner** - September 06, 2021 at 09:43 AM

LS

“ He and Kathy are two of the most consistent servant-disciples of Christ I've ever known... Godspeed, Brother, well done, enjoy your reward.

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**Len Strozier** - September 05, 2021 at 09:48 PM

JB

“ I met David Self at the Integrity Project when I worked in the same building for Medical Training Specialists. He was a nice person. Prayers and sympathy for the family.



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**Jill Blackwell** - September 05, 2021 at 09:36 PM

WF

“ Kathy and family. I am so sorry that you are going through this at this time. My prayer is for peace for each of you.

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**Wanda Fitzgerald** - September 05, 2021 at 07:51 PM

LJ

“ Thanks for all Brother David has ment to my family and my church family at Friendship in Mitchell. We will surely miss him. Lois and Billy Johnson

Lois Johnson - September 05, 2021 at 07:36 PM

SC

“ Sylvia Cooler lit a candle in memory of Rev. David Self



Sylvia Cooler - September 05, 2021 at 06:56 PM

MS

“ I met David through Carpenters for Christ and grew to love his passion and commitment to Our Lord Jesus Christ. God Bless!

Mike Sheppard

Mike Sheppard - September 05, 2021 at 03:01 PM

KB

“ Sorry for your loss. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

Karen & Kenny Babb - September 05, 2021 at 02:49 PM

JP

“ Kathy and Family, My sympathies go out to all of you. As you know, my acquaintance with David was through you, Kathy. I will always remember that during final exam days when we were so busy that we couldn't get to the dean's office for treats, David delivered Chick-fil-A to us in the Old Capitol Building. I never saw him when he didn't smile and say hello; that was a gift he gave readily that had to brighten the day of anyone he met. I will pray for comfort for all of you now and in the coming months.

Judy Parks - September 05, 2021 at 02:43 PM

JH

“ I met Rev.David at the huddle house ..he was always so nice to everyone.He was a good man.I remember once we had talked about the Bible and he was telling me things I didn't know.He will surely be missed..RIP Sir..Praying for your family and friends..



Judy Hudson (sister)nickname at HH. - September 05, 2021 at 02:22 PM

JK

“ Our heartfelt sympathies are with you all in the loss of David. What a special man. Bruce and I were at the welcome celebration to meet David and his family coming to be our Director of Missions. He was truly a man of God:

Julie Knighton - September 05, 2021 at 01:51 PM

MG

“ He will missed in this community. Prayers to family for healing.

marsha garner - September 05, 2021 at 12:55 PM