



Richard O. Jennings

March 26, 1944 - December 14, 2019

Funeral services for Richard Oliver Jennings age 75 will be conducted Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 3 P M in Williams Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Pat Braswell and Rev. Joe Bowker and Dr. Frank Hutchinson officiating. The family will receive friends at the Williams Funeral Home in Milledgeville on Tuesday from 2 P M until the service hour. Mr. Jennings was a native of PA and had made his home in Milledgeville for a number of years. He was Youth Director at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Milledgeville, then went to Gilead Baptist Church in Macon where he served as Bible Teacher and Principal, and then served as Bible Teacher and Principal at Calvary Baptist Church in McIntyre and currently was a member of Bethel Baptist and served as assistant to the Pastor. He received his masters from Bob Jones University and was a member and served as assistant to the pastor at Bethel Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife, Sally Bentley Jennings; nephews, Ray Bergstressor of AL and Scott Bergstressor of PA and niece, Debbie Warner of PA and an uncle, Bobby Jennings of PA..

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 17. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

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Reception

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Tribute Wall

JV

“ I just got onto the Gilead Christian Academy FB page and saw this obituary.

I am so sorry that he has passed away. I know that time does not stand still, but in my mind I still envisioned him as my teacher. He had a true heart for evangelism.

Mrs. Jennings, I am so sorry for your loss, and I have been wanting to find you to let you know that when you told me in class one day that I should be a writer, that touched me deeply. I still love to write.

God bless you in your time of grief.

Julie Beale Vaughan-class of 1977.

Julie Vaughan - April 15, 2020 at 01:39 PM

TE

“ My friend.Wonderful times together fishing...Sunday Jr Club...day camp..and spending time with the family.Praying for you Mrs Jennings and family.

Terry - December 17, 2019 at 05:26 PM

LS

“ Sweet Mr. Jennings!
What fond memories I have of you and your wife.
My favorite memory was being a Star Student. I loved going over to spend time with you and Mrs. Jennings. It wasn't that we did anything big and grand. It was the ball games played together outside, the walks, the time spent joking and laughing, the Bible times.

It was because you took the time to invest in our life and actually talked with us not “to” us.

Mrs. Jennings, Thank you for loving on us all. I will be praying for you. Thank you for your example of steadfastness, compassion, and service.

*Love,
Lisa Mims Stapp*

Lisa Mims Stapp - December 17, 2019 at 01:32 PM

RL

“ Dick has had such a burden to reach boys and girls for Christ. He had such an influence on me and encouragement as we worked in junior Church and weekend rally's at Gilead Christian school and Church. He encouraged me to use Gospel visuals and many methods such as gospel ventriloquism to make the Word of God become real to children.

Our hearts go out to Sally his dear wife of what would be 53 years of marriage. Ours

Prayers are with the Jennings family at this time. My wife Diane and I have been close

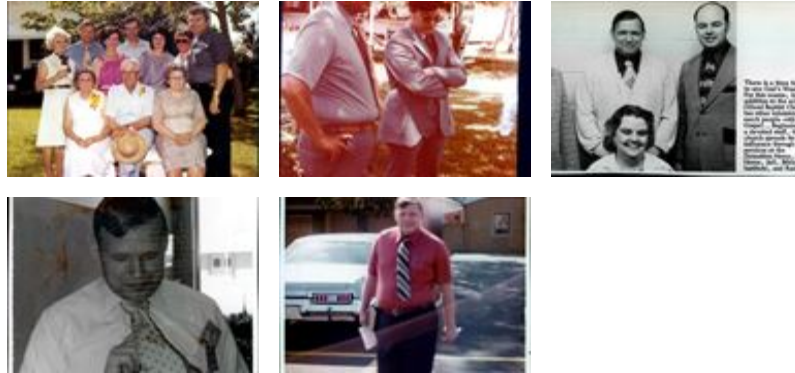
Friends for 42 years and enjoy their fellowship. Mark 10:14

Ron and Diane Lighty

Ron and Diane Lighty - December 16, 2019 at 09:16 PM



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Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - December 16, 2019 at 03:27 PM



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“ *What a joy to have known Bro Dick Jennings! As a member of the teaching staff for 2 years in the late 70s at MCA, I saw him as an example to us teachers as well. I am grateful for his Godly example to us and to the students. We look forward to seeing you "in the morning" dear Bro Jennings.*

John D. Woolery - December 16, 2019 at 01:29 PM

JH

“ Dick was a great guy. He did so much trying to help the young people he came in contact with. Sally , my heart goes out to you..love ya !

JoAnn Hartley - December 16, 2019 at 11:44 AM

KS

“ I was 21 and my wife was 22 as we began our first year in the ministry at Gilead Christian Academy in 1981. The Jenings patiently guided us by their godly example of patience, faithfulness and grace. They were our mentors and friends. Love them both dearly and will miss Mr. Jenings contagious laugh and love of life.
Keith & Beth Scott

Keith & Beth Scott - December 16, 2019 at 10:07 AM

SB

“ I always loved Mr. Jennings. He always smiled; always making you feel happy when he was around. His stories were always the best. He made everything come alive. Mrs. Jennings, you have my deepest sympathy during this time. I will be praying for you.

Susan Rigby Brake, Class of 1987

Susan Rigby Brake - December 16, 2019 at 06:59 AM

SW

“ Remember Mr. Jennings fondly from Macon Christian Academy. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.
Sheryl Hall Winn(class of 78)

Sheryl Hall Winn - December 15, 2019 at 11:03 PM

GM

“ I don't believe you can know how much of an impact both of you have had on me and countless others who you loved and taught. Thank you for your selflessness and I am praying for you during this time.

Greg Mims - December 15, 2019 at 10:27 PM

AB

“ Sally, I will forever be grateful that you and Dick led weekend youth rally's at Emmanuel Baptist in the 70's. Because of your faithfulness, I became a christian. He was always a man of fun and laughter, faith and compassion, and always the example of what a christian husband should be. He lived his faith for all to see. Please know I love you and I'm praying for you 🙏❤️

Annette Newton Burgamy - December 15, 2019 at 09:44 PM

JD

“ My first years at Gilead, it was in its final years as Macon Christian. I was in elementary school and my favorite memories are the lock ins, over which Mr. Jennings was in charge. I remember eating breakfast at the table with him and others, usually single serve cereal. Mr. Jennings made us laugh with the way he pronounced “milk”. For a child transitioning from secular to Christian education, his spiritually sound leadership and care for his students left a lasting, positive impression. My condolences and prayers for his family.

Jodi Davis - December 15, 2019 at 09:20 PM

SS

“ I have great memories of sixth grade with Mr. Jennings at Gilead Christian. He was the best Bible stories' teller- made them come alive!

Sherry Jo (Fellows) Shaddix - December 15, 2019 at 09:14 PM

EB

“ So many memories so thankful for the impact Mr Jennings had on my boys at Gilead. Day camp every summer for 5 or more years, teaching them at school and also leader with their Church groups. Chris and Brent McBride grew up with Dick Jennings as one of their mentors, as a single mother, I am so thankful for his time with them. So sorry for your loss Sally, prayers for you and the family.

Elaine “McBride” Baker

elaine baker - December 15, 2019 at 08:12 PM

 Jana Gilliland

“ I have nothing but good memories of my time at Emanuel and the youth group led by Dick and Sally. Thank You for doing the best you could with all of us.

Jana Gilliland - December 15, 2019 at 07:00 PM

JM

I have such fond memories of Dick and Sally at Gilead Baptist Church and Macon Christian Academy.. So thankful for God putting him at that place for that time which was so needful and special for my children and many others. I am saddened by his passing but it makes heaven a little sweeter and reminds us that one day we, His children will be together forever. My prayers go out to you Sally and the family and pray God's comfort will be yours especially today and in the days ahead. Love and prayers, Judy Mims Ps 62:8

Judy D Mims - December 17, 2019 at 01:19 PM