



Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.

July 26, 1942 - November 17, 2020

Our very own Reverend David S. Hammond Sr., (78), went to his heavenly reward, Tuesday, November 17, 2020. Funeral services will be held, 11:00 a.m., Saturday, November 28, 2020 at Mt. Calvary Freewill Baptist Church, Dr. Kenneth R. Hammond, eulogist. Burial in Homestead Memorial Gardens.

Reverend Dr. David S. Hammond, Sr. was born on July 26, 1942 in Winterville, N.C to the late Rev. Hoyt Hammond and Mother Mary Hammond. He gained his Heavenly reward on Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at the MacGregor Downs Health and Rehabilitation Center.

He graduated from W. H. Robinson High School in Winterville, NC in 1960. He began his career in radio in 1963, playing soul music at the WOOW-1340 AM radio station. He became a well-known radio personality Known as “Dynamic Dave” in Eastern NC. He also worked as a Physical Education instructor at G. R. Whitfield School in Grimesland, NC. He entered into holy matrimony in September 1964, to the late Peggy Rose Hardy.

As a young man, David was enamored with funeral service, admiring them “dressed in fine suits and driving fine cars”. At the age of 15 he was offered the opportunity to work with Mr. Walter E. Flanagan. He dedicated his entire life’s work to funeral service at W. E. Flanagan Funeral Home, serving bereaved families with excellence for nearly 50 years, later becoming the owner in 1996. He retired a decade later, leaving the management and operation of the funeral home to his eldest daughter, Esther Lynette, to

continue his legacy.

Reverend Hammond was licensed to preach the gospel at Cornerstone Missionary Baptist Church in 1971 by Rev. W. B. Moore. He attended Shaw University Divinity School in Raleigh, NC, Virginia Union School of Religion in Richmond, VA. He also attended the Hampton University Pastor's Conference for ministerial training annually for over 25 years. The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY awarded Rev. Hammond an Honorary Doctorate degree in 1989.

Rev. Hammond was raised in a loving, Christian family with his siblings. He and his three brothers followed in the Baptist upbringing of their father, the late Rev. Hoyt Hammond, all becoming gifted pastors and preachers. Rev. Hammond traveled as an Evangelist, preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ in more than 26 states throughout the country. He pastored over 38 years at several churches in Craven, Lenoir, Washington, Pasquotank, Northampton and Pitt counties. including; First Baptist Church, New Bern, NC, Craven Corner Missionary Baptist Church, Havelock, NC, Philippi Missionary Baptist Church, Simpson, NC, Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church, La Grange, NC, Memorial Missionary Baptist Church, Elizabeth City, NC and Riddick Chapel in Bethel, NC. He also pastored the Shiloh Baptist Church in Boykin, VA. He became a member of the Sycamore Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Greenville, NC in his final years. Rev. Hammond loved singing, worshipping and preaching, always sharing an encouraging "Word" to anyone he encountered. Rev. Hammond was a devout mentor to young ministers, helping them prepare sermons and pastor local churches. In his later years he was an honorary member of Mt. Calvary Free Will Baptist Church in Greenville, NC.

Rev. Hammond led and served in numerous organizations/committees: National Association of Black County Officials, N.C. Association of Counties, Magnificent Men of Troas-Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention (at-large Director), N.C. Human Relations Council, Black Pastor's Conference of Pitt County (Founding Member), Old Eastern, Bear Creek, Roanoke and

Neuse River Associations (Executive Boards), N.C. General Baptist State Convention (Political Action Committee), N.C. Democratic Party (Executive Board), Pitt County Development Commission (two terms), Global Transpark Committee (Chairman), Pitt County Mental Health Board, Advisory Council on Religious Affairs (Governor Jim Hunt), NAACP, SCLC, MT. Hermon Masonic Lodge #35 , The Odd Fellows, and The Order Of The Eastern Star.

Dr. Hammond diligently served the community, as an avid champion of racial injustice and social inequality for the poor and underserved. He was elected in 1998 as a Pitt County Commissioner in District 1, serving as both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Board. He served five terms consecutively and was the longest serving African- American County Commissioner in Pitt County. Rev. Hammond was re-elected twice after suffering a stroke in 2010, however later resigned from the Board in April of 2017.

Dr. Hammond cherished his family and was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He was preceded in death by his wife of 53 years Peggy R. Hardy-Hammond, two sisters, Rosetta and Hazel Hammond, and two brothers, Harvey and Rev. Chester Hammond.

Rev. Hammond, was a boisterous man, with a “larger than life” personality. He was outspoken, with a great sense of humor and never met a stranger. Rev. Hammond was the true epitome of “David” , a man after God’s own heart, devoting his life to preaching the Word of God and humbly and generously serving the needs of others. His Godly wisdom inspired many and he will be forever revered by all who had the honor to graciously know and love him.

Rev. Hammond leaves to cherish his memory, three daughters, Esther L. Hammond and Elizabeth Sheree Slade (Kim Lamar), both of Greenville, N.C. and Jill Rochelle Hammond of Fulton, MD, two sons, David Sherrod Hammond Jr. of Huntersville, N.C. ,and James Freeman of Greenville, NC, two sisters, Esther Robbins (Ben) of Pocomoke City, MD, Margaret Hammond-Jackson (Donald) of Waveland, MS, two brothers, Rev. Henry

Hammond of Atlanta, GA and Dr. Kenneth R. Hammond (Evelyn) of Durham, NC, five sisters-in-law, Annette Hammond of Elba, AL, LaForrest Hammond of Winterville, NC, Fannie Ruth Ruffin of Takoma Park, MD, Hattie Williams (Curtis) of Greenville, NC, and Dorothy "Dot" Hardy of Goldsboro, N.C., eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, special adopted children Mesha Lawrence and Virginia Ann Woods, and adopted son, Clifton Woods, all of Greenville, NC. and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and dear friends.

A walk-through viewing will be held 2-6 p.m., Friday, November 27, 2020 at the church.

A wake will be held 6-7 p.m. Friday at the church.

Viewing Saturday one hour prior to the service.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, all services are by invitation only. Masks, social distancing practices and all Covid-19 directives issued by Governor Roy Cooper, will be strictly enforced for all services.

All services will be Livestream on the following social media platforms;

W.E. Flanagan Memorial Facebook page,

Mt. Calvary Freewill Baptist Church Facebook page,

Mt. Calvary Freewill Baptist Church YouTube page.

Cemetery Details

Homestead Memorial Gardens

Greenville, NC 27834

Previous Events

Viewing

NOV 27. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Calvary F.W. B. Church
411 Watauga Avenue
Greenville, NC 27834
(252) 758-2532
<http://road2calvary.org/>

Wake

NOV 27. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Services

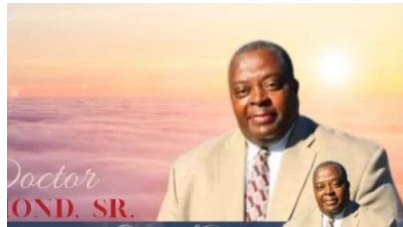
NOV **28**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



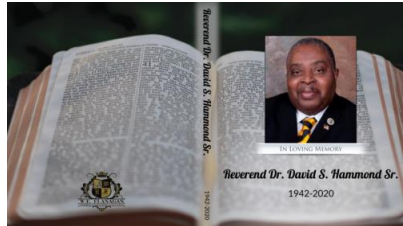
“ *W.E. Flanagan Memorial Funeral Home and Cremations created a Reverend Dr. David S. Hammond Sr Funeral Service in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



W.E. Flanagan Memorial Funeral Home & Cremations - December 02, 2020 at 08:13 PM



“ *W.E. Flanagan Memorial Funeral Home and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



W.E. Flanagan Memorial Funeral Home & Cremations - November 26, 2020 at 11:03 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Life Tributes*



W.E. Flanagan Memorial Funeral Home & Cremations - December 03, 2020 at 03:08 AM

JA

“ Many years ago, I worked with David doing farm work. He was a very interesting and entertaining person. He was working part time at a funeral home, and always had stories to tell. I also remembered him as a DJ on our local radio station. There was never a dull moment in his presence. Although, he has left physically, memories he left with us will be remembered.

*Jackie Pridgen Ashe
Baltimore, Md.*

Jackie Pridgen Ashe - November 29, 2020 at 04:37 PM

HL

“ Hattie And Jean Langley lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Hattie and Jean Langley - November 28, 2020 at 11:12 PM



“ The Thomas family are sorry to hear of your loss. We will cherish our memories of Reverend Dave as a loving father, great minister and pillar of the community! We know you have found peace and joy in the presence of your heavenly father and Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!



Michelle Hyman - November 28, 2020 at 11:42 AM

RH

“ It is with sad hearts that we say farewell to Rev Hammond. He has been a great force and inspiration in our lives since he married us Oct 1990 at Mt. Calvary. This leaves a special memory in our hearts forever. He is dear to us. Rest in Peace Rev Hammond.
R. J. and Claudia Hemby



R. J. and Claudia Hembu - November 27, 2020 at 11:24 PM

DS

“ My condolences and prayers are with the family. Dr. Hammond was always ready to assist in both spiritual and social concerns. RIH

Dr. Thomas Stewart - November 27, 2020 at 08:49 PM

SR

“ Rev. Dr. Hammond served Pitt County well as a county commissioner and a community leader. I enjoyed visiting with him when our paths would cross. Deepest sympathy and prayers for his family.

Sara Beth Fulford Rhodes

Sara Beth Fulford Rhodes - November 27, 2020 at 02:19 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr..



November 27, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr..



November 27, 2020 at 11:27 AM



“ Our sincere condolences to this wonderful family for we all indeed have suffered a great loss. Reverend Hammond was a great inspiration. We have fond memories through the years.



We light a candle to honor the memory and service to the community of Reverend David S. Hammond.

Alton, Ella, and Amber Harris

Alton Harris - November 27, 2020 at 11:22 AM



“ 46 files added to the album Memories Album



W.E. Flanagan Memorial Funeral Home & Cremations - November 26, 2020 at 11:41 PM

VE

“ *Rev. David Hammond has positively influenced our lives in Pitt County. He has truly been a model to all of us. We will truly miss him. Thank God for his life.*
Cousin Veronica Ward Roberson

Veronica - November 26, 2020 at 08:24 PM

LS

“ *Lea Sparkman lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



Lea Sparkman - November 26, 2020 at 12:06 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr..*



November 25, 2020 at 10:03 PM

GS

“ *Gladys Spellman lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



Gladys Spellman - November 25, 2020 at 04:24 PM

TL

“ *Praying comfort in this difficult time.*
Todd Lacy



TODD LACY - November 24, 2020 at 05:19 PM

MK

“ *Margaret Knight lit a candle in memory of*
Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Margaret Knight - November 24, 2020 at 02:45 PM

DP

“ *A wonderful person and a gifted minister*
nothing but love for you my friend may GOD
comfort you family during this loss



Donovan Phillips - November 24, 2020 at 12:40 PM

AG

“ *Alvis & Melissa Gentry lit a candle in memory*
of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Alvis & Melissa Gentry - November 24, 2020 at 10:23 AM

GH

“ *Gayle Hardy lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



Gayle Hardy - November 24, 2020 at 03:54 AM

CH

“ *May the Peace of God be with the family in the lost of my long time Winterville and Robinson Union School home town friend. My wife, Beatrice, and I, and the Henderson family celebrate with you in this glorious home going for David.*
Calvin & Beatrice Henderson
Winterville, NC

Calvin/Beatrice Henderson - November 23, 2020 at 09:51 PM

EE

My sincere condolences to the family. Our families were neighbors alongside old highway 11 in Winterville. We will always cherish those memories. Rest well my friend. Evelyn Smith Edwards

Evelyn J Edwards - November 28, 2020 at 08:02 PM

GW

“ *To the Hammond Family,*
Our prayers are with you as you Celebrate the Life of a Rev. David Hammond. May God continue keep you in His loving care.



Grover & Audrey Wilson - November 23, 2020 at 10:45 AM

BA

“ *Beatrice Atkinson lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



Beatrice Atkinson - November 23, 2020 at 05:12 AM

DM

“ *Daphne Moseby lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



Daphne Moseby - November 22, 2020 at 11:28 PM

DM

We the Green family are sorry to hear of your loss. On the behalf of the Green family we do send our condolences to the Hammod family. We were just like family. Rev. David Hammond take your rest and rest in the bosom of Jesus until that Great Getting Up morning!!!

Daphne Moseby - November 22, 2020 at 11:32 PM

DM

“ *Dana L. Mason lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



Dana L. Mason - November 22, 2020 at 09:52 PM

GD

“ Gerelene Fleming Dixon lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Gerelene Fleming Dixon - November 21, 2020 at 11:05 PM

SP

“ Sarah Pritchard lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Sarah Pritchard - November 21, 2020 at 04:35 PM

CD

“ Condolences to the Hammond Family
From
Bennie R. Roundtree, & National Southern
Christian Leadership Conference



Connie Daniels-Brown...Niece - November 21, 2020 at 03:04 PM

DF

“ David & Alpharadia Foreman lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



David & Alpharadia Foreman - November 21, 2020 at 10:55 AM

SV

“ *Rev. Hammond was an awesome person he had a big Heart for anyone he will truly be missed in Greenville by many. Ms Sharon Vines and Family*



Sharon Vines - November 20, 2020 at 10:30 PM

LP

“ *LaSonya Poole lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



LaSonya Poole - November 20, 2020 at 07:34 PM

TF

“ *Our sincere condolences to The Hammond family. We share many precious memories with you. Rev. Hammond was our former Pastor for many years at Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church in La Grange, NC. We will always remember his kind, funny and friendly spirit. May God continue to bestow his blessing upon each of you. Deacon Derrick Atkinson and Family, Goldsboro, NC*



Tyjuana Best Atkinson and Family - November 20, 2020 at 06:46 PM

EJ

“ *My heart was saddened to hear of the death of Reverend David Hammond. I've known him all of my life. We grew up together, just two houses apart. He will be missed by many,*

Evelyn Worthington Hagans Jones

Evelyn W. Hagans Jones - November 20, 2020 at 03:35 PM

MC

“ *May God shower you with His blessings during time of your loss. You are in my prayers.*

*Sincerely,
Myriam Carraway*



Myriam Carraway - November 20, 2020 at 02:58 PM

RB

“ *Roger & Sharon B.Dixon lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



Roger & Sharon B.Dixon - November 20, 2020 at 09:22 AM

JK

“ I have known Rev. Hammond all of my life. Whenever I saw him, he would call me "Cuz". I remember his deejay days as "Dynamite Dave". He will be missed by family, friends, and the Pitt County community. Family, my prayers are with you. Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not to your own understanding, acknowledge Him in all your ways and He will direct your path. (Proverbs 3:5-6.

Joyce A. King - November 20, 2020 at 12:15 AM

ME

“ My most fond memories of Rev. Hammond was when I was playing the piano at Mt Shiloh MC Church in Winterville NC. He would occasionally visit and speak a few words of wisdom then begin to sing Don't Call the Roll Until I Get There the song is "I'm Coming Lord ". I also visited the nursing facility and I got the same response. He will truly be missed.

Marcha Edwards - November 19, 2020 at 09:29 PM

DT

“ Rest in Peace.



Delores Tilley - November 19, 2020 at 09:06 PM

DC

“ From the Coston family, it is with deepest sympathy that you are all in our prayers during this time of Transition 🙏



Derrell Coston - November 19, 2020 at 07:40 PM

JM

“ On behalf of the McClaud family, to the Hammond family, you are in our prayers and we so, so sorry to hear about the passing of Rev. David Hammond. Rest on gentle giant! Rest on!



Jacquelyn McClaud - November 19, 2020 at 06:28 PM

RR

“ Ruth Randolph lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Ruth Randolph - November 19, 2020 at 03:09 PM

EH

Please allow me to express my deepest sympathies to the Hammond family upon the transition of Rev David Hammond. This family feel like my family as our homes were side-by-side. Pleasant memories linger of our youth. May God bless and keep you all.

Emma Smith Haggins - November 21, 2020 at 07:31 AM

GS

“ George Stocks lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



George Stocks - November 19, 2020 at 02:12 PM

NB

“ Naja Bell lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Naja Bell - November 19, 2020 at 11:02 AM

TA

“ Theresa McCabe Adkins lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Theresa McCabe Adkins - November 19, 2020 at 08:00 AM

DP

“ Donna Pierce lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Donna Pierce - November 19, 2020 at 07:53 AM

HD

“ Hazel Brown Davis lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Hazel Brown Davis - November 19, 2020 at 03:54 AM

DF

“ Daniels Family lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Daniels Family - November 18, 2020 at 11:15 PM

BN

“ Betty Nurse lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



Betty Nurse - November 18, 2020 at 11:11 PM

LP

“ LaSonya Poole lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



LaSonya Poole - November 18, 2020 at 05:38 PM

DD

“ *Dianna Daniels lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



Dianna Daniels - November 18, 2020 at 04:31 PM

BF

“ *My prayers and thoughts are with you all in your time of bereavement.*

Barbara Foreman - November 18, 2020 at 12:32 PM

BF

“ *Barbara Foreman lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



Barbara Foreman - November 18, 2020 at 12:29 PM

BW

“ *Ben WOOTEN lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.*



Ben WOOTEN - November 18, 2020 at 12:00 PM

IW

“ Ilene Wooten lit a candle in memory of Rev. David S. Hammond Sr.



ilene wooten - November 18, 2020 at 12:00 PM

SF

“ My heart is heavy to hear of the passing of Rev. Dave Hammond and my Blessings to his family. Rev. Hammond was a part of our legacy. He was a great man of God and a great man for this community. He has a special bond with our family , especially my Dad, (the late Larry Early, Sr.) and he will never be forgotten for the wonderful things he has done for us. We loved him in a special way and God needed another Angel! 🙏❤️



Sondra Early Family - November 18, 2020 at 11:27 AM

DW

“ Mary joins me in expressing our deepest sympathy to the family of Rev. David Hammond. He will be missed. May God bless you all during these times.

David E. Williams - November 18, 2020 at 10:52 AM

BA

My Condolences to the family just remember God Is Able

Belinda Anderson - November 18, 2020 at 01:59 PM

PH

My Deepest condolences to the family!! My prayers are with you. Sleep in Peace Uncle David Hammond, Sr.

Pamela Hardy - November 19, 2020 at 03:21 PM



To the family we are so hurt, but we know that God pick his flowers, Ester you knew that Dave was special to our family. we love ourselves some dave, He was the kindest, lovable person That I knew also the singing, preaching, praying, we had a special bond with him, he was my daughter Mechio Godfather, I I believe he is resting with Peggy now, I used to visit him he talk about Peggy and I would talk about my husband, we would also talk about the old days, Rest on my friend, see you on that great getting on morning we as a family will always love you

Lillian Kornegay - November 19, 2020 at 06:05 PM

JS

“ Rev Dave Hammond was a huge force of good for all of Black America. To many of us, he was the epitome of a great black preacher and he was a good friend to all who encountered him. I was honored to have served with him as a Pitt County Commissioner. His impact on our community will be felt in many generations to come. Rest In Peace, Rev Hammond. You were and will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.



Jeffrey Savage - November 18, 2020 at 08:57 AM



“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



W.E. Flanagan Memorial Funeral Home & Cremations - November 18, 2020 at
05:37 AM