



Millard R. Mitchell

June 9, 1935 - August 31, 2024

Pastor Millard R. Mitchell a long time resident of Scott Depot, WV passed away on August 31, 2024.

He was born to the late Walter and Mamie Mitchell on June 9, 1935. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded by his wife of 64 years, Emma Peterson Mitchell.

Millard was known to most people as Pastor Mitchell due to his 40 years of pastoring at Calvary Baptist Church, where he also lead the church to start a christian school, Calvary Baptist Academy. He also served his community as a landlord.

He loved people, he loved the Word of God, and a passion for instilling biblical truths in the minds of children. He lived a rich life of service to others and by his own testimony in his last years of life, he had no regrets over how his life was lived.

Millard is survived by his siblings: Cebert Mitchell, Vergie Mitchell, Eileena Rollyson and Naomi Phalen; his children: Valissa Fox, Valnita Clemans, Kevin Mitchell, VeEtta Withrow; foster son: Tom Mitchell; their spouses, 9 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

Funeral Service for Millard will be 11:00am Tuesday September 17, 2024 at Chapman Funeral Home Hurricane, WV with his Grandson Pastor Chris Clemans officiating. Burial will follow in Cunningham Memorial Park St. Albans, WV.

The family will receive friends 6:00pm until 8:00pm Monday September 16, 2024 at Chapman Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family ask that memorial donations be made in Millard's name to: Calvary Baptist Academy 3655 Teays Valley Road Hurricane, WV 25526, where dad's passion for educating youth in the truth of God's word still continues today.

Anyone wishing to leave an online memory may visit Millard's tribute page at: www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com.

Chapman Funeral Home 3941 Teays Valley Road Hurricane, WV 25526 is honored to serve the Mitchell family again.

Cemetery Details

Cunningham Memorial Park

815 Cunningham Lane
Saint Albans, WV 25177

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **16**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Chapman Funeral Home
3941 Teays Valley Road
Hurricane, WV 25526

Funeral Service

SEP **17**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DM

“ I knew Millard through his daughter VeEtta and her husband Robert who is one of my best and oldest friends. I always liked and admired Pastor Mitchell a great deal, thought he was a fine, fine person. He always spoke softly and his knowledge of the Bible was, of course, profound. The glory and wonder he's experiencing in God's Heaven now has been very well earned. "Nunc dimittis. Now you may dismiss me. My work is done." -Dale Morton

Dale Morton - September 16, 2024 at 02:21 PM

DS

“ *"Blessed in the sight of the Lord is the death of one of his saints." Although we knew that this was coming, we are deeply saddened by the passing of our dear pastor. Not only did he know and convey the scriptures he had a Pastor's heart. He represented a major part of our lives. He married us. He led many of our family to the Lord, and baptised us and both of our children. He was a steadfast influence in our lives. The entire Mitchell family has been a great blessing. We know that he is rejoicing with Emma and other family members. He will be greatly missed. Surely he heard " Well done thy good and faithful servant."*

Doug and Anna Smith - September 14, 2024 at 09:08 PM

PM

“ I first met Millard while I was with Clarksville Baptist College in Tennessee when he spoke at a Bible conference. Over the coming years our paths often crossed, and he was always a warm and gentle person to share fellowship with. When my family moved to Charleston when I was called as pastor at the Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Millard was the only person I knew in the state. He and I quickly became good friends and golfing buddies. He encouraged me tremendously with his counsel when I found myself in need of a fellow pastor with whom I could share some burdens. Three words which come to mind as I remember him are gentleness, kindness, and wisdom. He had an unswerving commitment to Christ and His word and brought many to faith in Him by his preaching and personal contacts. Today, Calvary Baptist Church, which he founded and served for over forty years, and Calvary Baptist Academy stand as a great tribute to his vision and leadership. Through the on-going ministry of each, his spirit and vision will continue. It was my great pleasure to call him my friend and brother.

Pastor David Mitchell

Pastor David Mitchell - September 12, 2024 at 01:18 PM

VC

Thank you David for sharing. I know Dad appreciated your friendship.

Valnita Clemans - September 13, 2024 at 10:06 AM

DM

“ My deepest condolences to the family. What an overwhelming joy must be his as he begins living in the presence of the Savior he loved and faithfully served on earth. I am so thankful to have known him and call him friend.

Darrell Messer - September 11, 2024 at 03:36 PM

“ A Cherished Memory of Pastor Mitchell

As I reflect on my childhood, one figure stands out as a guiding light in my life: Pastor Millard. He was not just my pastor; he was the rock of my family and the cornerstone of our faith. I remember the warmth of his smile and the reassuring presence he brought to our church community.

Pastor Millard had an incredible ability to connect with people, making everyone feel valued and loved. I can still hear his encouraging words echoing in my mind, reminding us that faith is more than just belief—it's a way of life. His sermons were filled with wisdom and grace, and he had a remarkable talent for relating scripture to our everyday experiences. He instilled in us the importance of embracing challenges with love and unity.

Beyond the pulpit, he was always there for us. I recall the countless times he visited our family during difficult moments, offering comfort and support. Whether it was a personal struggle or a family celebration, Pastor Millard was a steadfast anchor, guiding us through life's ups and downs. His laughter was infectious, and his kindness left a lasting impression on my heart.

Pastor Millard not only shaped my faith but also created a strong foundation for our family. He helped us grow closer, reminding us to support one another and to extend kindness to others. I will forever cherish the memories of sharing conversations over coffee with him, where he would impart his wisdom and insight.

Though he may no longer be physically present, his spirit will always be a part of me. I find comfort in knowing that he is at peace, embraced by the love of Jesus and with mom & dad in heaven. The lessons he taught us will continue to inspire me, guiding my actions and decisions as I strive to honor his memory.

Thank you, Pastor Millard, for being such a significant part of my

life. You will always hold a special place in my heart, and your legacy will live on in the lives you touched and the love you shared.

Condolences to his sweet children Tom, Valissa, Valnita, Kevin and VeEtta.

Sandy Newman-Coombs - September 10, 2024 at 01:30 PM

VC

Thank you, Sandy, for sharing your memories of Dad. He loved the Newman family.

Valnita Clemans - September 13, 2024 at 10:08 AM

SN

Praying for your sweet family❤️ You know that you all will see him again in Heaven! Praise God!✝️

Sandy Newman-Coombs - September 17, 2024 at 12:40 AM

RL

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Rev. Mitchell's passing, but Heaven is a little sweeter today. I used to wait on Rev. Mitchell at Putnam County Bank. He was such a kind man and always smiling. It was abundantly clear that he was a true man of God. Praying for his loved ones.*

Retha Lemon - September 10, 2024 at 11:14 AM

FB

“ *Pastor Mitchell was a big part of my childhood in the valley. His dad I can remember him walking from his house to the store often. Pastor Mitchell was one of the first Pastors to be known to everyone. He always asked how we were and how the family was. Very nice man of God. He will be missed by all who knew him.*

Freda White Bird - September 09, 2024 at 09:49 PM