



Bro. Levi A. Parish, Jr.

February 26, 2017

Levi A. Parish Jr., age 72, passed away February 26, 2017 as a result of complications following surgery. Brother Levi was born January 15, 1945 in Huntingdon, TN to Levi A. Parish, Sr. and Arnell Belew Parish. He is preceded in death by his brother Bobby Parish of Huntingdon, TN. Levi resided in Newport, TN with his bride of 53 years, Sherry Copher Parish. They are members of Swannsylvania Baptist Church in Dandridge, TN.

Levi was called to preach at age 16 and ordained in 1962 as a minister of the Gospel. His many pastorates included churches in Tennessee, Texas, Oklahoma, Michigan, and Alaska. His years of service include a 23 year tenure at Eastgate Baptist Church in Burton, MI. Throughout the years he served on numerous committees and boards with the Southern Baptist Convention, which included the office of President of the Baptist State Convention of Michigan. All of these duties he saw as contributing to spreading the Gospel. He delighted in being able to share his faith and love of his Savior, Jesus Christ.

He is survived by his children, Kenneth Gray Parish and wife Margaret Hudson Parish of Arlington, TN, Tammy Parish Bolt and husband Matthew Harrison Bolt of Gatlinburg, TN, and Michael Thomas Parish and wife Anna Pettengill Parish of Davison, MI. He is survived by his 5 grandchildren, Sarah Parish Garner, Christian John Parish, Hudson Gray Parish, Ryan Matthew Bolt, and Gabriel Levi Parish.

Visitation will be at Manes Funeral Home in Newport, TN on Friday, March 3,

from 4pm to 6:30pm with the funeral service to follow at 7pm. The interment will be at Swannsylvana Baptist Church Cemetery on Saturday at 11am. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Tennessee Baptist Convention via a Go Fund Me account in memory of Levi, found at gofundme.com/zwgqp-memorial-fund or to the Gideons International via www2.gideons.org/donate

Family and friends may sign guest register online at: www.manesfuneralhome.com

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home, Newport, Tennessee.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bro. Levi A. Parish, Jr.*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Levi will sure be missed.I recall his sweet cheerful smile and his bubbly spirit.Some people leave their footprints on your heart and both of you have done that to me.My prayer and heart go out to your family.I know your heart is breaking. God bless and k*

Johanne Eastman - March 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hi Sherry, My heart goes out to you as from our many conversations at Mott, I know how close you and Levi were and what a loss this is for you. Both Dennis and I know there is little we can say to ease the pain of losing Levi, but I hope it helps to know*

Brenda Zicha - March 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sherry, Our Deepest Sympathy for your loss. Prayers for you and your Family.*

Georgia Hall - March 04, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Parish family, Wish we could be there to express our sadness and support for you. Levi was a sweet man and will be missed by us and many others. We will be praying for God's comfort for you and watching the live stream of the funeral. God bl*

Brian and Maggie Bolt - March 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Please know that I would be there today if I did not have to work, but dad and I are both remembering you/ your family today with such fond memories and with bittersweet feelings of both loss and VICTORY for this AMAZING gentleman

Ronda Pyles and Ron Brandon - March 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ I am so so sorry for your loss and our prayers are with you and yours. We Love You

Linda Neal - March 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Sherry and family, so sorry to hear about your loss. From the days of scouting, church activities and as members of class of 63 he was admired and respected by all. If not for an injury his freshman year, he would have been one of Central's best football

Jim Kizer - March 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Sherry and family, so sorry to hear of Levi's passing. I have good memories of our days in scouting , church activities and as members of CHS class of 63. He was admired and respected by all. If not for an injury his freshman year he would have been one of

Jim Kizer - March 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ Sherry You and Family are in my thoughts and prayers. Sorry I won't be able to come for Visitation. I have an abscessed tooth an I am not feeling well. May God Bless You.

Georgia Hall - March 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ So sorry to hear of Levi's passing. I knew that you thought the world of him and that he gave you great joy. May you live in peace.

Sharon Eisen - March 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Sherry and family we are so sorry for your loss but how great to know it's God's gain,I know he is rejoicing in Heaven,you are in our prayers, Danny and Kathy Webb

Kathy webb - March 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Sherry, I'm sorry to hear about your husband. You are in my thoughts and prayers and I'm sorry I could be there to hug you in person. Bec

Rebecca Gale-Gonzalez - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Sherry, I am sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless.

Kojuana Wiggins - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AE

“ Bro. Levi A. Parish, Jr.

Arthur Evans - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Sherry, I was so sorry to hear via Mott about this remendous loss in your life. I know your faith will sustain you in the difficult days ahead and memories of the love you shared will bring you comfort in the years ahead. Wishing you peace. Judith

Judith Cawhorn - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AE

“ Hi Sherry! So sorry to hear about your loss. I know of your faith (from our years in the Social Science Division). I know that you will continue to keep your hand in God's hand . May the Lord bless and keep you and your family

Arthur Evans - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Our love and prayers are with you as you celebrate Bro. Levi's homegoing. We love you all.

Dottie and Chuck Gebhart - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ Love and prayers to you all

Apryl Jammer - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Dear sherry and family. May god bless you and keep you at this time Love Avon burns

Avon burns - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ GLORY! Those words rang from Bro. Levi's lips more times than we can count! Levi Parish, our pastor, mentor, and friend, we grieve and rejoice in a life dedicated to the glory of God and now seeing that glory in His fullness! GLORY! Love, Steve and D

Steve and Dottie Babcock - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ A wonderful man. Seen me through many difficult times. Always giving and comforting, never giving a second thought of doing God's work. Special thoughts and prayers for the family.

Sharron Ballard - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I miss my uncle Levi so much. He was a great man. He was the rock of our family and his and many other families that came to know Levi and Sherry. They are the cornerstone of a good Christian life. I know that many thousands who came to see him give the w

David and Trudy Glosson - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SP

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Sharon Wood Prested - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MM

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Marjorie Vowell Martin - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Dear Sherry and Family, please know you have our love and prayers. I could never convey in a mere 250 words what Brother. Levi has meant to me and my family. I can say that the great part of what I know about God I learned under his Preaching and Teaching

Ken and Karen Howe - March 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Sure wish that I could be there with you, but you guys are sure in my thoughts and prayers. Wonderful memories of being in your home and attending church with you. Love you guys!

Sherry Carroll - March 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Please accept my sympathy in the passing of Levi. He was a wonderful pastor and I am glad to have had him as interim pastor at Forest Hill Baptist Church. He will be missed. God bless the family and give them peace.

Joan Kropff - March 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Sherry, our deepest sympathy for your loss. Also know that you and your family are in our prayers.

Donna Koster - February 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ So sorry to hear the news of Bro. Levi's passing. Mom and I want you to know your family is in our thoughts and prayers!! Leanne & Ann Robbins

Leanne Robbins - February 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Sherry, Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Randy & Alissa Cary

Randy & Alissa Cary - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LG

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Lori Gregg - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ So Sherry. Prayers for you and your family. God bless all from everyone. Love, Joy

Joy Cook - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RD

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