



## Rev Edward J. Young

June 17, 1935 - July 29, 2020

On the evening of July 29, 2020, Reverend Edward J. Young went home to meet his Savior due to complications from pneumonia. His final moments were spent just as he wanted, peacefully reading the Psalms with his daughter and in prayer. He died as he lived, without fear and in devotion to Jesus Christ. "Eddie" Young served as Senior Pastor to four Free Will Baptist churches over 51 years. Until his death he served as volunteer Air Force chaplain to the Army National Guard and the Army Reserves for over 30 years attaining rank of Colonel. He also served as volunteer chaplain for the Cocke County Fire Department for a decade. He is survived by his wife Mona R. Young and his children James Young (wife Patti Young) and Penny Young Nance (husband Will Nance). He was the grandfather of four children and the great grandfather of four children. He is pictured here sharing his heart with Vice President Mike Pence. Graveside military honors will be conducted 1 pm Monday, August 3, 2020 in Mountain Home National Cemetery. Active Duty Kentucky Army National Guard Colonel Scott C. Thomas will be present to pay his respects to the family. Family and friends may sign guest registry online at: [www.manesfuneralhome.com](http://www.manesfuneralhome.com)

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home, 363 East Main Street, Newport, TN 37821.

# Cemetery Details

## Mountain Home National Cemetery

215 Heroes Drive  
Mountain Home, TN 37684

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

AUG 3. 1:00 PM (ET)

Mountain Home National Cemetery  
215 Heroes Drive  
Mountain Home, TN 37684

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rev Edward J. Young*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



Barbara  
Nelson

“ *I use to take of he's wife when I was in home heath care. I just found out about this! It breaks my heart! I thought the world of both him and Mona! I wish I could talk to her and see how's she doing! I will miss him! He always said to consider him as my grandpa lol cause I was like family! I use to come in an he would be getting ready to go somewhere or just to sit down at he's table and read he's Bible! When he left he would say to take good care of he's sweet heart and their dog as well! He knew I would and he trusted me! He use to preach at southside church in Paintsville ky and I lived up southside during the time he was there I was just a kid at the time. We thought was meant for us to meet and for me to come into their home to take care of his sweetheart!*



Barbara Nelson - February 15, 2021 at 06:23 AM



“ *May this loving father rest in the peace and joy of His Loving Father, and every life he touched be wrapped in the goodness of the life he lived faithfully and fully to the very end. You bear the image of his honorable legacy. Be at peace Penny and family. Love, Doreen Denny*

Doreen Denny - August 03, 2020 at 07:42 PM

AH

“ Rev Young used to fly into Lynchburg occasionally to visit his daughter Penny, who was my roommate at Liberty University. He was both kind and generous as he would take us girls to dinner and speak encouraging words to us, exhorting us in our faith and our walk with Jesus.

His daughter Penny, shaped by her father's love and guidance has become a powerful voice as well for women and families as she continues the work of her father in a beautiful way that our Heavenly Father prepared her. God is so good and merciful to us all. May He comfort you and your loved ones during this time.  
Love you Penny!

Anna Rich Hampton

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Anna Hampton - August 03, 2020 at 03:16 PM

KL

“ We at the Cocke Co. Fire Dept. Are deeply saddened by the loss of our Chaplin. He was more than just our Chaplin but a great friend to all and he will surely be missed. A great man of God and a follower to the end.

Chief Keith Large  
Cocke Co. Fire Dept

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Keith Large - August 03, 2020 at 08:16 AM

AC

“ Love Preacher Eddie Young , great man of God ! Prayer for your lost Mona , Jimmy, Penny and Grandchildren💕💕 He will be miss by all 🇺🇸🇺🇸🇺🇸🇺🇸. ❤️ Remember the funny times and good times.  
Love you all Ailene Costner

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Ailene Costner - August 03, 2020 at 07:06 AM



“ *Mona and Family, we are so very saddened to hear of Pastor Young's death. We will lift you all up in Prayers in the coming difficult days. Pastor Young was a blessing to us as both our Pastor at First Free Will Baptist Church in Newport and as our cherished friend. We have peace knowing he is with Jesus and that Pastor Young fought the good fight and finished the race. He was very truly a humble and diligent servant of our Lord Jesus, a true American hero and Patriot. Go rest high on that mountain Pastor Young. You will be greatly missed.*

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**Sondy Lunsford** - August 02, 2020 at 09:19 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the family. He was a man of great faith. We are thankful to have known him. Jim and Kathy Smith*

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**Jimmy Smith** - August 02, 2020 at 07:34 PM

MS

“ Eddie Young was the most important and valuable mentor of my High School years. He gave me my first airplane ride, and I was hooked!! His encouragement and helping me connect the dots with future dreams were super valuable. His theological and Biblical teaching I keep to this day. I went on to join the Navy, work on Navy airplanes and helos, and later was most fortunate and blessed to become a Naval Aviator and fly the F-14 Tomcat and other aircraft. I was able to visit and spend time over the past several years. I last saw him in Newport on June 6th. I will miss him. My heartfelt sorrows to Mona, Jimmy, and Penny for the loss of their Dad, but we all know how the story ends. He lived, preached, and witnessed for The Other Side, and I know he and my Dad are swapping corny jokes right now. The great hope I have is I will see them again in the place Christ has prepared for us. I Timothy 1:17

*From Michael Shelton, Stafford, VA*

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**Michael S. Shelton** - August 02, 2020 at 06:27 PM

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“ Rev. Young will be greatly missed . He married Claude and Earlene Strange in July 12, 1969. He always loved to talk about his family and how proud he was of them. He told Claude when we married he could say I Do until I can do better. He loved to joke. He was very dedicated to God, his family and the military. He will be greatly missed. Praying for all his family and friends.

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**Claude, Earlene , Chuck & JULIE strange** - August 02, 2020 at 01:52 PM

BF

“ Dear Penny and family, I was truly blessed to not only meet your father, but to have some photos taken with him at one of our conferences. I know that he was a father you were very proud of. Looking forward to seeing him one day in our New Home with our other father, Abba. Blessings to you and all your family, and may you all have the Peace that only comes from Our Abba Father in Heaven. Shalom!.

*Barbara J. Ferraro*  
*CWA of Hawaii State Director*

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**Barbara Ferraro** - August 02, 2020 at 05:23 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev Edward J. Young.



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August 01, 2020 at 10:28 PM

DS

“ our love and prayers go out to Mona, Penny and Jimmy. Rev young and the family have always held a special place in our hearts. When he pastored Southside FWB in Paintsville, KY, he baptized our son. We grew spiritually and had a lot of fun together. You are missed in our hearts but we will meet again.

*dan & kay Schmidt*

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**dan schmidt** - August 01, 2020 at 08:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev Edward J. Young.*



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August 01, 2020 at 12:48 PM



“ *Sorry for the loss of Mr. Young always pleasant*

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**charlie , lana, and Todd williamson** - August 01, 2020 at 12:42 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Rev Edward J. Young.*



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August 01, 2020 at 11:57 AM



“ *Mr. Young was an inspiration to all of us that cared for him. It was an honor to know him and he will be greatly missed. I have many many fond memories of him and his stories and his kindness. I am sending all of you that loved him sympathy during this sad time.*

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**Kim M. Thomas** - August 01, 2020 at 09:50 AM



“ *Praying for you, Penny and Jim, at the loss of a much-beloved father. Tanya*

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**Tanya Ditty** - August 01, 2020 at 07:20 AM



“ He will be missed by a lot of people of lives he touched with his gospel ministry. Enjoyed his times he visited our church and pastored. Our prayers and thoughts are with his family.

SherryandDwayne Breeden - July 31, 2020 at 10:27 PM



“ Always enjoyed his visits to Freewill Baptist Bridges Church. Prayers and thoughts are with the family.

Martha Myers Poe

SherryandDwayne Breeden - July 31, 2020 at 10:18 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Rev Edward J. Young.



July 31, 2020 at 07:49 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev Edward J. Young.



July 31, 2020 at 07:36 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Rev Edward J. Young.



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July 31, 2020 at 03:08 PM



“ Sincere sympathies to Family and circle of friends of Rev Young.. He was a fine man and servant of God and country...

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**Abby Balch** - July 31, 2020 at 12:50 PM



“ CH Eddie Young provided many faithful years of volunteer religious support to members of the Kentucky Army National Guard. He was also a true friend and mentor to me as we had opportunities to serve alongside one another. This is bitter sweet because I will miss Eddie yet I know heaven is a little bit sweeter for his presence there. My continued thoughts and prayers for his family over the coming days and weeks ahead.

*Respectfully,*

*Chaplain Bill Draper  
KYARNG*

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**William Draper** - July 31, 2020 at 11:14 AM



“ A truly great man. Proud to call him my friend. He will be missed .

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**Jeff Hazelwood** - July 31, 2020 at 10:04 AM