



Rev. W. Tom Wood

December 23, 2016

Rev. William Thomas Wood, 78, passed away unexpectedly on Friday December 23, 2016 in his home. Tom was born in Holland, VA to the late Mildred Holland Wood and John Oliver Wood. He was predeceased by his brothers Glenn and J.J. Wood.

Tom is survived by his wife of 51 years, Marjorie Boulton Wood and son Bill Wood; sisters Pat W. Price; Sue W. Powell, Judy W. Rogers and brothers Don and Dexter Wood.

Tom was a graduate of Holland High School, Holland, VA; Bluefield College Bluefield, VA; Campbell University, Buies Creek, NC; and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, KY.

Tom's 39 year ministry included churches in Oklahoma, Kentucky and Virginia. He retired in 2003 from Westhaven Baptist Church in Portsmouth, having served there for 23 years. Rev. Wood was also active in his community, the Portsmouth Baptist Association, the Baptist General Association of Virginia and the Religious Herald Publishing Association, Inc.

Tom especially enjoyed meeting and working with people He was a devout believer and student of the BIBLE. He knew that His lord has a plan for each of us even though we don't always understand it. Tom's life motto was to "just

TRUST And OBEY.”

A Celebration of Tom’s life will be held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday December 28, 2016 at Westhaven Baptist Church in Portsmouth, VA with Dr. Chester Brown officiating. Burial will be at Greenlawn Mausoleum. A time of fellowship will follow at Westhaven Church. The family will receive friends in Loving Funeral Home Tuesday from 6-7pm. The family requests in lieu of flowers that donations be made to The Union Mission.

“Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not on your own understanding.”

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **27**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Loving Funeral Home Churchland Chapel
3225 Academy Ave
Portsmouth, VA 23703

Celebration of Life

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

Westhaven Baptist Church
4900 Caroline Avenue
Portsmouth, VA

Tribute Wall

JJ

“ Tom, was my first room mate at Bluefield College. I remember him as a very kind and loving individual. However, his first love was the Lord Jesus Christ and he represented Him well. Even though we have not kept in touch over the years he will always be remembered and my friend. My prayers are with his family.

Jim

Jenkins (class of 1960 BC)

Jim Jenkins - July 31, 2017 at 02:11 PM

EC

“ Our association with Tom was at First Baptist Church of Virginia Beach. He was the Best Man in our wedding and a personal friend. We are sad to hear of his sudden passing. Our condolences to Margie and Bill in their loss.

Earl and Mary Chappell

Earl and Mary Chappell - December 30, 2016 at 05:30 PM

BW

“ I was saddened to learn of Rev. Tom Wood's passing. I came to know him when I would be at Westhaven Baptist Church for many Christmas Cantatas and other 'musical' events. I was one of the orchestra personnel and also played for some of the services when a pianist was needed. I always felt comforted with his words. Rev. Wood just made you feel like you were one of the family. I was blessed a few more times when he would be the 'substitute' minister at Cradock Baptist Church where I was the pianist for the Church. Rev. Wood will be sorely missed but we will all be one day together amongst friends. He will be remembered with many memories. My prayers and thoughts go with Mrs. Margie Wood and the rest of the family.

Bonnie Western

Bonnie Western - December 28, 2016 at 07:19 PM

RC

“ Rev. (and Mrs.) Wood were apart of a many life celebrations with our family. One of many fondest memories was officiating at mama and daddy's 50th Anniversary/renewal of their wedding vows! Rev. Wood made sure they were not to be nervous "the second time around"! I can only imagine how you are celebrating Jesus' birthday in heaven!

Prayers and thoughts to Mrs. Wood and Bill.

Sincerely,

Robert (Bobby) Cooke, Jr.

Robert Cooke - December 27, 2016 at 10:48 PM

PB

“ *Margie, Bill and Family,
I am sorry to hear of Tom's passing, he always was a special person to me! Although there are many "first" you will experience without Tom, knowing he is now with our Heavenly Father where the roses never fade and the streets are paved of gold brings comfort. God will provide you strength and will carry you when you see only one footprint. Thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*With Love,
Pat (Lilley) Bailey*


Pat Bailey - December 27, 2016 at 09:05 PM

LA

“ *Such a special man to my family and our Westhaven Baptist Church family. He baptized my daughter, Suzanne, my family, and was always a light to so many.. My prayers and love are with his wife, son, and family. God Bless you.*



Laurel - December 27, 2016 at 04:56 PM


Cynthia
Bowman
Moody

“ *Wonderful man, preacher, and friend . Blessed and a better person for knowing him. Prayers for his family.
Cynthia Bowman Moody*

Cynthia Bowman Moody - December 27, 2016 at 04:17 AM

JA

“ Tom was a part of my extended family, as he grew up with my sister and brothers. We shared everything life had to offer, especially holidays and celebrations. My parents truly loved having Tom, Margie and Bill be a part, of their lives. Tom was a Christian, always eager to share his knowledge. He was the kindest, most genuine person I have ever met. I will miss your kind voice, prayers and quality time, at our meals. My heart is broken, but I will cherish the years of memories we have.

Janet - December 27, 2016 at 12:29 AM

LW

“ Mr Wood was a huge part of my family's life during her s ministry at Westhaven Baptist. My kids would vanish and I would find them in his office talking to "Doctor Wood." E married us, Baptised my husband and kids, dedicated our homes. I'm sure he is enjoying true life in the presence of The King of kings!

Lisa Wagner - December 26, 2016 at 11:15 PM

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“ Your Bluefield College friends from 1958-1960. purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Rev. W. Tom Wood.



Your Bluefield College friends from 1958-1960. - December 26, 2016 at 12:35 PM

MP

“ The nicest human being I've ever met in my 62 years on this earth. I will miss Sunday morning church services where his handshake would always turn into a hug.

Mark Pardue - December 26, 2016 at 04:04 AM

LD

“ *Janice and I both remember Tom from Bluefield College. He was a great Christian and a great friend. We share your grief as you go through the grief process. May God bless you all. Lee Roy and Janice Davis*

Lee & Janice Davis - December 24, 2016 at 09:15 AM

DB

“ *Many friends from the Bluefield College Class of 1960 send love and prayers to all of Tom's family.*

David Bailey - December 24, 2016 at 05:16 AM