



Bro. Willie Bearfield

November 30, 1926 - March 12, 2018

Bro. Willie Bearfield age 91 of San Antonio passed into the arms of his Lord Jesus Christ on Monday, March 12, 2018 in San Antonio, TX. Willie was born on November 30, 1926 to Clint and Effie Bearfield in near Miles, TX.

Willie proudly served in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific theater during World War II. After the war on July 5, 1948 Willie married his sweetheart, and the love of his life, Wilma James. On August 20, 1950 Willie surrendered his life to the ministry of Christ and attended Howard Payne University. Willie served as pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, Brownwood, TX. Hebron Baptist Church, Hebron, TX, First Baptist Church, Seadrift, TX, First Baptist Church, La Feria, TX and Leon Springs Baptist Church, Leon Springs, TX. Through the years, Willie had the opportunity to participate in many mission trips to Mexico, and preach many revivals across Texas and the United States. After retiring as a full time pastor, in 1995, for the next 10 years Willie and Wilma continued their ministry as owners/operators of Wee Luv Christian Daycare in Leon Springs, TX. Willie loved to BBQ, fish, garden and play dominoes. Willie never met a stranger, and would eagerly witness and share the Lord's word with everybody he came in contact with. Willie's favorite saying in life was "the Lord has blessed us so much", he was eternally grateful for all the many blessings in their lives.

Willie was preceded in death by his parents, Clint and Effie Bearfield; brother,

Bennie Bearfield; sister, Clara Rinehart; daughters, Diana and Mary Jane; son, William, Jr.; and grandson, Ryan Johns. Willie is survived by his wife of almost 70 years, Wilma; son, Mark and wife, Carolyn of Fair Oaks Ranch; grandchildren, Zachary Johns and wife, Kaitlyn of Rosenberg and Chelsea Kennedy and husband, Duane of San Antonio; sister, Vera Westbrook of San Angelo and Mattie Brieger and husband, Emmett of Farmington, NM; sister-in-law, Donna Atkins of Fort Worth; and numerous great grandchildren, cousins, nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank Embrace Hospice, especially Christelle Kukeya, and the staff at New Forest Assisted Living. Your kindness during this difficult time was felt and appreciated.

SERVICES

Visitation will be from 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M on Friday, March 16, 2018 at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North, 3401 Cherry Ridge Drive. The Service will be at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, March 17, 2018 at University Baptist Church, 6465 Babcock Road. A Reception will follow at the Church. The Graveside Service with Military Honors will then continue at 1:00 P.M. at Retama Cemetery, 15940 Lookout Road. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to either University Baptist Church or a Hospice program of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

Mission Retama Cemetery

15940 Lookout Road
San Antonio, TX 78202
(210) 967-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 16. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 349-1414
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Service

MAR 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

University Baptist Church
6465 Babcock Road
San Antonio, TX
<http://ubcsa.org>

Reception

MAR 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

University Baptist Church
6465 Babcock Road
San Antonio, TX
<http://ubcsa.org>

Graveside Service with Military Honors

MAR 17. 1:00 PM (CT)

Mission Retama Cemetery
15940 Lookout Road
San Antonio, TX 78202
(210) 967-4242
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Tribute Wall

GD

“*Bro. Willie, we can envision you dancing around Hallelujah Square with family, friends, and the hundreds of people whose lives you touched. What a homecoming!*
In the 40+ years we've known you and Wilma, you both have blessed our lives in the happy times and the sad—so many memories. Your smile was infectious; you made each person feel special. You will be missed—until we see you again. We love you.
Weldon & Glenda Dunn and Rebecca

Glenda Dunn - March 18, 2018 at 06:57 AM

BN

“*Brother Willie was a force of nature. For as long as I can remember, he and Wilma have been part of our family through the joyous occasions as well as the heart breaking ones.*
A true gentleman with an endearing chuckle, by far the most notable part of him was his boundless love of God, and his willingness to share that with anyone he encountered. My deepest condolences to his precious wife and family members, as well as the friends who will miss his uplifting presence.
Beverly Naparst, Houston

Beverly Naparst - March 16, 2018 at 02:15 PM



“*Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bro. Willie Bearfield.*



March 16, 2018 at 10:21 AM

ML

“ *Willie was such a sweet caring Christian man. I will always remember him when I attended University Baptist. Wilma, you and your family are in my prayers.*
Margaret Lovett



Margaret Lovett - March 15, 2018 at 09:02 PM

ML

“ *To Wilma and all of the family-*

We want to send our love and sympathy to all of you in the passing of Bro. Willie. We have never forgotten you and our years at the First Baptist Church in LaFeria. We pray that God will continue to bless all of you and give you peace and comfort in the days to come.

With love and sympathy,

*Mary Gail and Samuel Leming
Walter Mark Leming
Linda Gail Leming Hunt*

Mary Gail Leming - March 15, 2018 at 04:50 PM

MH

“ *Mr. Bearfield welcomed me with open arms when settling in at new forest. I was happy to make him smile with the sight of my 5 month old daughter and telling us how beautiful we both were and how precious she was. He was an amazing man. Will be missed dearly! -
*Marlene Hall**

Marlene Hall - March 15, 2018 at 04:11 AM

PA

“ *Phil And Tiffany Anderson lit a candle in memory of Bro. Willie Bearfield*



Phil and Tiffany Anderson - March 14, 2018 at 09:13 PM

PA

“ *Uncle Willie was such a phenomenal man! I remember him lighting up every room he entered!*

Phil and Tiffany Anderson - March 14, 2018 at 09:07 PM



“ *Beth Cline purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Bro. Willie Bearfield.*



Beth Cline - March 14, 2018 at 08:15 PM



“ *Brother Willie is with the Lord and is rejoicing. For those of us left behind, we will miss him more than he could ever know. Brother Willie adopted our family and he and Wilma loved us like we were his own. We will always remember his sermons of salvation and his love for our children. The last time I spoke with him, he had been discharged from the hospital and called me later that evening to tell me how much he loved me, Michael, and our family. I hope you know the love our family has for both you and Wilma. Brother Willie's love for the Lord and his love for all people will always be an inspiration to me. I will miss you and look forward to seeing you again "when we all get to heaven."*

*All our love,
Michael and Beth Cline*

Beth Cline - March 14, 2018 at 08:10 PM

SB

“ *You knew me from the time I was 3 years old. You knew I was a stinker from the word go but you also knew that I was special and worthy of Jesus love. You led me to Christ, baptised me, were at the hospital the night my daddy died and loved me through my flaws. You introduced me to candy from your coat pocket and I always knew where to find you. All I had to do was listen for the whistling of Victory in Jesus. Dance those streets of gold Bro. Willie, whistle till your cheeks hurt and make sure the kiddos that enter his gates get their candy. Till we meet again.*

Stevi Bessee - March 14, 2018 at 07:14 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bro. Willie Bearfield.*



March 14, 2018 at 12:13 PM



“ *Pauline, Steve, Wendy, Steve, Tammy, and Jason purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Bro. Willie Bearfield.*



Pauline, Steve, Wendy, Steve, Tammy, and Jason - March 13, 2018 at 06:13 PM



“ *We are rejoicing with you for the life of Uncle Willie but are very saddened by the loss! He left this world a much better place just by his presence here. I'm going to miss his mischievousness and the way he doted on Aunt Wilma. I've never seen two people any more in love than those two and unashamed to show their affection for one another. We love you all so much!*

Sherri Tally - March 13, 2018 at 05:53 PM