



WILLIAM NORRIS HODGES

April 22, 2015

Obituary of WILLIAM HODGES

Reverend William Norris Hodges of Tavares, Florida, age 75, went to be with his Lord while at home with his family, April 23, 2015. He was born in Hilliard, FL and grew up in Jacksonville, FL. He moved to Tavares in 1976. He was a Veteran of the U. S. Navy, having served on the USS Enterprise. He received his Bachelors degree from Mercer University, Macon, GA and later went on to receive a Masters degree followed by a Doctorate of Theology. He served many pastorates in Georgia. He was the founding pastor of Liberty Baptist Church, Tavares, FL and New Life Baptist Church, Leesburg, FL. He is survived by his wife of 54 ½ years, Patricia; two children: Will Hodges and Judi Hendricks; brothers: Rev. Olson S. Hodges, Rev. George Ellyott Hodges; sister: Florita M. Bundy; 6 grandchildren and one great grandson. Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m., Saturday, May 2, 2015 at Tavares First United Methodist Church with Reverend Travis Lane officiating. Private interment will be at a later date at Florida National Cemetery. The family will receive friends 5:00 until 7:00 p.m., Friday at the Astatula Baptist Church. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make donations to Astatula Baptist Church Building Fund. Online condolences may be made at www.beyersfuneralhome.com. Beyers Funeral Home, Umatilla.

Tribute Wall

LF

“ I just found out that Reverend Hodges passed away. I am sorry for your loss. I am a member of Winter Haven Baptist Church and always enjoyed when he and his wife visited our church. I loved hearing him sing "ship ahoy". He will surely be missed.

Lil Fields - September 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EO

“ What an amazing life Uncle Bill led! A true testament to the Lord in his daily life and I am sure he is enjoying his rewards now in heaven. Wishing you a peaceful heart, Aunt Pat, and looking forward to seeing you tomorrow after many years.

Erin O'Carroll - May 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Pastor Hodges had a great influence on ours lives back in the early 80's at Liberty Baptist. I appreciate him and all his family. May the Lord bless you Pat and family, Love you all in the Lord ! Til we meet again on that Golden shore.

Mike and Jody Watkins - April 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ our condolences to the hodes family.the good reverend was our neighbor for many years and i attended high school with his son will.im sure god will help you all in your loss.

jim bridgewater - April 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ Pat, You are in my thoughts and prayers. I am so very sorry for your loss. God Bless. GG

gail grimes - April 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Dear Pat, I am soo sorry. This man of God will surely be missed. God bless You and Yours. Sue Lewis

Sue Lewis - April 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ We have known Norris all his life and are saddened to hear of his passing, but know he is having a great reunion in heaven. We are praying for the family, especially his brothers and sister, wife and children. May God wrap his loving arms around you and you feel his presence when you need it most. God bless you and be with you in the days that lie ahead. Dr. Lloyd E. Meyer and Joanne Ackerman Meyer

Dr. & Mrs. Lloyd E. Meyer, Arlington, Texas - April 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM



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