



Rev. James L. Duirden Sr.

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Services for Rev. James L. Duirden, 83, of Lufkin will be held Saturday, December 29, 2018 at 2:00 a.m. in the Greater Shiloh Baptist Church, 1519 Williams St., Lufkin, TX. Burial will follow in the Davis Memorial Gardens. Visitation is Friday from 6:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m. at Colonial Mortuary.

Bishop James L. Duirden Sr. age 82, a great man, loving husband and father passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on Thursday, December 20, 2018. He was born on December 29, 1935 in Livingston, TX to the late Jimmie Lee Bogany and Henry L. Duirden Sr.

On September 21, 1954, he married Claudlene Matts-Duirden. Together, they successfully raised 13 children (7 sons and 6 daughters). James and Claudlene founded the Upper Room Pentecostal Holiness Organization where he faithfully served as Bishop, dedicating his life and service to the work of our Lord until the time of his earthly departure. In addition, James and Claudlene enjoyed traveling together as well as spending time with family and friends. On any given summer day, you could find him at the Texaco on Timberland Dr. selling watermelons and offering wisdom and advice. He was most notably known however, for his unwavering faith in God, infectious smile, and his stylish shoe and suit wardrobe. Often being called the best-dressed preacher in Lufkin.

James's spirit is carried on by his wife of 64 years, his 13 children, a host of grandchildren, great-grands, two surviving siblings and an extended family of relations and friends from every walk of life.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, December 29, 2018 at 2:00 at Greater Shiloh Baptist Church, 1519 Williams St. Lufkin TX. Interment immediately following at Davis Memorial Gardens. Repass will be held at Upper Room Pentecostal Holiness Church 2301 Paul St. Lufkin, TX



Tribute Wall

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Nedra Johnson Larue lit a candle in honor of James.

February 20 at 2:52 PM



Yvonne Mccalister lit a candle in honor of James.

December 29 at 7:13 AM



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Duirden family.

December 28 at 5:00 PM



Alfreda Singletary-Runnels lit a candle in honor of James.

Oh behalf of Joeann Coutee and family, we would like to send our deepest condolences to the family. My God continue to keep every one of you lifted in prayer and I love you all.wonderful man and wonderful family.

December 28 at 1:49 PM



Wilria Monmouth lit a candle in honor of James.

December 28 at 4:16 AM



Justina Coutee Bogany posted:

I'm so glad this family touched my life with their strong love for God this couple were a great counseling team 😊 and yes they sold the biggest and best watermelons we will miss him stay strong In The Lord Family

December 27 at 10:49 AM



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Sylvia Kirkwood lit a candle in honor of James.

December 27 at 12:29 AM



Bobbie Edwards lit a candle in honor of James.

December 26 at 9:52 AM



Cathryn Cat Spencer Johnson sent a virtual gift in honor of James.

December 24 at 5:26 AM



Cathryn Cat Spencer Johnson lit a candle in honor of James.

December 24 at 5:26 AM



Cathryn Cat Spencer Johnson posted:

So glad to have been apart of this great man's life. The family is one of a kind and I love them. My prayers for you all. 🙏🙏❤️

December 24 at 5:25 AM



Lynda And Elzie Holmes lit a candle in honor of James.

December 23 at 12:03 PM





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Lainy Carrington sent a virtual gift in honor of James.

December 22 at 7:47 AM



Lainy Carrington lit a candle in honor of James.

December 22 at 7:42 AM



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Anita Darks sent a virtual gift in honor of James.

December 21 at 6:52 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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