



Dr. Warren Jonathan Watkins

November 1, 1958 - May 26, 2014

Dr. Warren Jonathan Watkins, 55, of Searcy, the second of three boys, died Monday, May 26, 2014 of heart failure. He was born November 1, 1958 in Searcy, Arkansas, the son of Robert L. "Bob" Watkins and Martha "Jane" Darden Watkins.

Warren was preceded in death by his father, Bob Watkins and a younger brother, William Matt Watkins. He is survived by three daughters, Bethany Pardue, Rachel Allison (David), and Rebekkah Watkins; three grandchildren, Braden and Bailey Pardue and Gracie Watkins, who all affectionately called Warren "Big Daddy"; his mother, Jane Watkins; a brother, Robert Watkins (Debbie); and numerous other relatives.

Warren graduated from Ouachita Baptist University and later earned his Doctorate in Theology. As an ordained Southern Baptist Pastor, Warren had been preaching since age 16 and had led many congregations in Arkansas from Blytheville to Pine Bluff to Arkadelphia.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 31 at Trinity Baptist Church in Searcy, at 2 p.m. Visitation will be from 12 until 2 p.m. in the foyer of the church. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Jacobs Place of Searcy or to the Trinity Baptist Church Educational Endowment Fund. Cremation arrangements entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of Searcy. www.powellfuneralhome.net

Tribute Wall

JG

“ My family and I were so saddened to hear of your loss. We loved Brother Warren and all of you so very much. He was with us thru such a difficult time in our lives. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. The Harry Gatlin Family

JOYCE GATLIN-COLVIN - May 04, 2016 at 04:35 PM

GK

“ You have our very deepest and Heart felt Prayers and Love and we will continue to hold you up during this very sad time.Love George & Shirley

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MW

“ We are praying for all of the family. Warren you will be missed . Rest in Peace my dear classmate.

Mary Beth Weir-Waters - February 10, 2016 at 02:33 PM

RB

“ Dear Warren:
I know your family is suffering because they want you still. On the other hand they also are happy that you are home to our Lord and Savoir. It seems you work here on Earth is done, and God needs you now.
Even though we never met, we did talk, and email. I know God had a hand that also.

Sincere Love in the Lord
Robin Burkhart

Robin Burkhart - February 10, 2016 at 02:33 PM

SS

“ *He invited me to help build his dream church Lazarus...he touched my heart in life..and now in death he touches my soul...thank you warren...my grief is great...but worth the joy of knowing you...go rest on that mountain, your work on earth is done...I pray that your legacy continues to touch hearts and repair souls...God bless you..God bless us all..thank you for offering me your love..I'll carry it with me...thank you God for letting him touch my heart before you took him home...once again I'm a lost lamb....*

Sonya Stallings - February 10, 2016 at 02:33 PM

LH

“ *My sincere condolences for your loss. Warren and I have communicated many times as he had a heart for missions and praying for those who have not heard the Gospel. Warren has left too soon but hope that you can find peace knowing that he spends eternity with our Heavenly Father. God's blessings on you all.*

Linda Hope - February 10, 2016 at 02:33 PM

LR

“... Blessed are the dead who die in the LORD from now on. Yes, say the Spirit, they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them”. Revelation 14:13

I'm Sorry to hear about what happened to Warren. May God give you all strength and comfort in each memory! Please, extend my condolences to all family. Leah Rebeca

Leah Rebeca - February 10, 2016 at 02:33 PM

WB

“ 01/28/2015 I just left a long tribute but not sure if it got recorded so trying again. We just today learned of Bro. Warren's passing. It was such a shock to not know this before. Bro. Warren was such a great Christian man who loved the Lord and Who loved people. My children went to Crossroads Baptist Church when he was the pastor. He was so very patient and supportive of my children as they went thru their teenage year. Despite all the meanness they were up to he stuck by them and loved them. We are all better for knowing Bro. Warren as a pastor and as a very special friend. God has definitely gained a special angel in Heaven. I know he is in a far better place and that we will meet again some day. But at this moment my heart is heavy and sad at losing such a good friend and not knowing until now. We love you Bro. Warren and miss you.

Winess Bell-Cowden - February 10, 2016 at 02:33 PM

JO

“ I MISS YOU MY FRIEND
I will see you in heaven one day.

joyce - February 10, 2016 at 02:33 PM