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Rev. Curtis L. Sides

March 12, 1938 - Sept. 21, 2023

Rev. Curtis L. Sides, 85 of Morganton, went Home to be with His Lord and Savior, Thursday, September 21, 2023. Born on March 12, 1938, he was the son of the late George and Jincie Sides, Sr. Rev. Sides was a member of Oak Hill UMC where he sang in the choir. He was a member of the Choraleers and Caldwell Men's Choir. He graduated from Duke Divinity School in 1963. Rev. Sides served many churches in Western NC and retired in 2001. He loved to garden and travel and spend time with his family.

Rev. Sides is survived by his wife, Carol Ann Sides; Daughter, Amy Absher, and husband, Charles Kevin; son, David Sides; grandchildren, Jonathan Absher and wife, Lee Timmons, Lindsay Absher Williams and husband, Zack; great-grandchildren, Luke and Emma Williams; sisters, Janice Peeler and husband, Greg, Rebecca Sebastian and husband, Chris; sister-in-law, Carolyn Sides Hess (wife of James Sides).

In addition to his parents, Curtis is preceded in death by his brothers, George Sides, Jr. and wife, Virginia, James Sides, and Robert Earl Sides.

The family will receive friends from 3pm until 4pm, Monday September 25, 2023 at

Love and April Abernathy officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Oak Hill UMC and COMSERVE Group Homes in Lenoir, NC.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Carol, I'm so sorry for your loss. Curtis was a GOOD man and friendly too. I'll pray that God will give you and your family comfort and strength in the days and weeks ahead.

-Coleman Setzer

My sincere condolences to the family of the passing of their husband, father, and grandfather. I have known Curtis for many years along with his wife, Amy and David. May God in His Infinite wisdom, comfort each of you and wrap you in His arms and comfort you like no one else can. You all are in my prayers.

-Belinda Vinson

Dear Mrs. Sides, David, and family. My sympathy on the passing of your husband and father. I didn't know him personally, but knew of his kind church and community work. Working with you at Hillcrest, I know he had the same servant heart as you! I wish you comfort and peace as you move forward without him. Blessings, Nancy Ferguson Brown, Former PH RDH

-Nancy Ferguson Brown



Our most sincere condolences to the family of Rev. Sides. We had many occasions to talk to him. He was always kind and friendly. Diann worked with Carol at Hillcrest Elementary School. May God bless each of you during this most difficult time in your lives. All of you remain in our most sincere prayers.

-Diann and Oscar Tate

Carol we are so sorry to hear this. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family during this time. He was a great man that I thought a lot of during my youth. And you both left treasured memories for me. I enjoyed the times that I got to sing with him. I'm sending a big hug to you. May God give you peace at this time. Dean & Starr Pearson 154 Shelton Road Limestone, TN 37681

-David Pearson

Carol and family, Curtis will be missed as we loved him as one of our own family members. We say we adopted Carol and Curtis when we bought the house they lived in for so many wonderful years. The two of them together was like watching an episode from I Love Lucy where they endearingly played off of each other. There will never be anything more precious than being witness to their abiding love for each other. Prayers to the family and we love you Curtis always.

–Jonathan and Wendy Nadeau



My deepest sympathy Carol. I just found out through Debbie Gordon at Gethsemane UMC that Curtis passed. You and your entire family are in my prayers. I have so many fond memories when you both were at Gethsemane as I was growing up. Wonderful memories that I will cherish forever. You both made a major difference in my life and my brothers Jimmy, Roddy and Jan. May God bless you and give you peace. Cherish all the wonderful memories made. Sincerely, Karen Hilton Pruett 7327 Sunstone Drive Olive Branch MS 38654

–Karen Hilton Pruett