



## Mr. Joseph Dukes

March 5, 1937 - January 3, 2015

Joseph Dukes, 77, died Saturday, January 3, 2015 at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital. A memorial service will be held Monday at 11:00AM at Covenant Presbyterian Church. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service in the fellowship hall. Dr. William "Biff" Coker will officiate.

A native of Augusta, GA, Mr. Dukes had lived in Albany since 1986, coming from Milledgeville, GA. He graduated from Mercer University as well as Southern Seminary in Louisville, KY. He was the Clinical Chaplain at Central State Hospital in Milledgeville for 17 years and at Baldwin State Prison, Mens State Prison and Lee Correctional Institution in Leesburg, GA. Joseph served 7 years as a pastoral counselor at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital and was a part time pastor for Morgan Baptist church as well as many other churches. Mr. Dukes was a member at Covenant Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Malone Dukes of Albany, a daughter, Cindy McDade and her husband, Randy of Summerville, GA, 2 sons, Andy Dukes of Warner Robbins, GA and Joseph S. Dukes IV of Macon, GA, a step son, Michael Williams and his wife, Jennifer of Salisbury, NC, 12 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Covenant Presbyterian Church, 2126 W. Edgewood Dr, Albany, GA 31707, the Albany Rescue Mission, 604 N.

Monroe St, Albany, GA 31701 or a charity of your choice.

To share your thoughts with the Dukes Family you may visit our website at [www.kimbrellstern.com](http://www.kimbrellstern.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Covenant Presbyterian Church  
2216 W. Edgewater Dr.  
Albany, GA 31707

## Memorial Service

JAN 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Covenant Presbyterian Church  
2126 W. Edgewater Dr.  
Albany, GA 31707

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Joseph Dukes*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mr. Joseph Dukes*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss, but so thankful he is in heaven waiting for you to join him where there won't be any more good-byes. Joe and I are grandchildren of sisters, Rosa Wilson Dukes and Jennie Wilson Barrow. Joe' s father performed the wedding ceremony for my husband and me. Aunt Rosa and Uncle Joe and all of their family are dear to my heart. I have a picture of Aunt Rosa when she was very young if you would like a copy. My number is 912-537-2978. Bless you all. May you be comforted by our Savior. Emily Farmer*

Emily Farmer - January 07, 2015 at 10:50 AM

DE

“ My family moved to Milledgeville in the mid to late 60's. Our neighbors were Ben and Juanita Watson. They invited us to swim at their lake front home and to attend their church. There we found a young minister, Joe Dukes. Mr. and Mrs. Watson truly loved their minister and never tired of recounting a particular Sunday when he performed two Sunday services back to back in this very small church. I was a small child when this happened and I heard Mr. Watson tell the story. I believe that maybe the situation occurred because of the time changing but, I'm not sure. Mr. and Mrs. Watson attended the 11:00 service with Joe Dukes on this particular Sunday. As the service ended, a couple entered the church not realizing that the time had changed and they had missed the service. Joe Dukes simply returned to the pulpit and began a new service without any hesitation. He was energetic, enthusiastic and young as were my parents at that time. The church was very small and did not have a budget to maintain a full time minister. He helped to gather a flock that was able to form a large church with a full time minister. I cherish the memories of that time and the genuine, giving soul Joe Dukes.

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**Debbie Minton Ellis** - January 06, 2015 at 07:34 PM

JW

“ So sorry to read of Joe's passing. Many good memories of him and his children, especially Jody, when they lived in Milledgeville. God's Comfort and Blessings.  
Ben and Jackie Watson.

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**Jackie Watson** - January 06, 2015 at 12:57 PM

JR

“ Carolyn, I sure do hate to hear about Joe's death. I sure enjoyed our friendship while in Albany and his practical outlook on life. He had a great sense of humor that always helped me to see the lighter side of life. That was a gift from him that I enjoyed every time we were together. Our prayers are with you and your family. May God's grace and love abound and hold you in these days. Nan and Jim Ramsey

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**Jim Ramsey** - January 05, 2015 at 10:50 PM

JO

“ I forgot all about it until after the funeral but Joe always used to tell me Shalom when we parted...Shalom my friend

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**John Obermeier** - January 05, 2015 at 03:31 PM

AF

“ Chaplin Joe Dukes of Lee State Prison, you were my friend and a great chaplin. You were not only there for the prisoners but the staff also. After my retirement with the Dept. of Corrections, you assisted me in a time of need that no other person could do because "Joe" you knew me real good. Your wife and family had a great husband and father, i will forever remember you as a chaplin, co-worker and a personal friend forever. Alvin Folsom

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**Alvin Folsom** - January 05, 2015 at 11:44 AM

DS

“ Carolyn, So sorry for your loss! Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers...Debbie sutton

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**Debbie Sutton** - January 05, 2015 at 09:39 AM

GS

“ We have very fond memories of Joe during our young adult years together--- Mercer, Southern Seminary, early pastorates, the births of our children. It was a joy to be in his presence as he was bright and witty and fun and caring. We've missed staying in touch in our later years, but always held to those good memories. Sending our love to Cindy, Andy, and Jody and sincere condolences to Joe's wife Carolyn and all his family.

*George and Carolyn Smith, Hodgenville, Kentucky.*

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**George and Carolyn Smith** - January 04, 2015 at 04:51 PM

NK

“ *NORMA C KIRBY purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. Joseph Dukes.*



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**NORMA C KIRBY** - January 04, 2015 at 03:40 PM

DM

“ *Drs. Hill & Moore and Hays Medical purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Mr. Joseph Dukes.*



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**Drs. Hill & Moore and Hays Medical** - January 04, 2015 at 10:57 AM