



Virginia Banks Hatfield

June 14, 1925 - December 30, 2012

Addie Virginia (Ginger) Banks Hatfield departed this world to be at home with Jesus on December 30, 2012. She was born in Rusk Texas on June 14, 1925 to Edgar Banks and Beatrice Spain Banks. She attended public schools in Rusk and went on to receive her Bachelor of Science degree from Mary Hardin Baylor University in Belton, Texas. She later attended New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary where she earned her Master of Religious Education Degree. While attending the seminary she met her future husband, A. Benjamin Hatfield. They were married on June 8, 1947. While her husband pursued additional education, Ginger, who was gifted with many skills, served as secretary to the president of Clarke Memorial College and Mississippi College. Mrs. Hatfield served her LORD faithfully as a pastor's wife with Rev. Hatfield for over 60 years. This included pastorates in Mississippi, Louisiana and Georgia, with the final pastorate being for 26 years at the First Baptist Church of Alpharetta, Georgia. She was deeply loved by the congregations she and her husband served. She was an effective Bible teacher and a passionate Christian witness. She displayed a genuine Christian love and hospitality to all who visited their home...and there were many. Mrs. Hatfield had a deep commitment to the cause of Christ through world missions. Before her marriage she served as a missionary in southern Louisiana under the auspices of the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Following Rev. Hatfield's retirement from the active pastorate, she served with him in several interim pastorates in North Georgia churches

and also in International Baptist Churches in Korea, Okinawa, Hungary and Germany through the auspices of the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. In October 2010, Rev. and Mrs. Hatfield moved to Birmingham, Alabama to be closer to their son and family. Mrs. Hatfield is survived by her husband, Rev. A. Benjamin Hatfield, one son, Dr. Robert Benjamin Hatfield, Sr. and his wife Polly, one granddaughter, Kimberly Beam and husband Matthew, one grandson, Rev. Robert Benjamin Hatfield, Jr. and his wife Laurie and four great-grandchildren Madeline and Lucy Beam and Alex and Brett Hatfield. She is also survived by one sister Margie Williamson and her husband Joe and one sister-in-law, Bonnie Banks, and a number of nieces and nephews. Visitation will be at Northside Chapel Funeral Directors in Roswell on January 1, 2013 from 3:00-6:00pm. A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, January 2, 2013 at 2:00pm at the First Baptist Church of Alpharetta, Georgia. Officiating ministers will be Rev. Joe Vernon, Rev. Jeff Hawkins, Rev. Vince Whittington and Rev. Rob Hatfield. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial gifts be made to the Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions through the First Baptist Church of Alpharetta, Georgia. Arrangements by Northside Chapel Funeral Directors, Roswell, GA. 770-645-1414. www.northsidechapel.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 1. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Service

JAN 2. 2:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Alpharetta
44 Academy Steet
Alpharetta, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Virginia Banks Hatfield*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Dear Rev. Ben,
Returning home today, I have just learned of the passing of Mrs. Ginger. It was evident from your Christmas note, Mrs. Ginger would not be here if God didn't perform a miracle. In God's own way the miracle he performed was to remove the pain Mrs. Ginger was having by taking her home. I can not imagine her not being with you. I regret beyond words that Tollyan and I were not with you during this time but also not there to share your loss with you. Just know you are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Danny E. Peterman##imported-end##*

January 02, 2013 at 10:43 PM



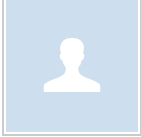
“ *Brother Ben and family you have my deepest sympathy for the passing of Ginger. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Kenney & Debbie Rucker##imported-end##*

January 01, 2013 at 05:13 PM



“ *Preacher and Bob as well as the rest of the Family. We are with you in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Sonny and Betty Hawkins##imported-end##*

December 31, 2012 at 02:47 PM



“ Our deepest sympathies to you. May God's Spirit minister to you now and in the days and months to come. In Christian love, Ray & Wanda Bobo, Roebuck, SC.##imported-begin##J. Ray Bobo##imported-end##

December 31, 2012 at 09:23 AM



“ I am thankful to have had Preacher and Mrs. Hatfield as pastors when I was a teen. I send my condolences to the family.##imported-begin##Karen Williams Rice##imported-end##

December 30, 2012 at 02:30 PM



“ Sending our heartfelt sympathy.##imported-begin##Mildred Williams Nalley##imported-end##

December 30, 2012 at 02:15 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in these days.##imported-begin##O.M. & Irma Carr##imported-end##

December 30, 2012 at 01:04 PM