



Benjamin "Frank" Posey

October 11, 1930 - April 24, 2011

Posey, III, Benjamin Franklin "Frank", age 80, a resident of Alabaster, AL, went home to celebrate the Resurrection with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Easter Sunday morning, April 24, 2011. A celebration of his life will be held at 3 PM, Thursday, April 28, 2011, at Bolton Funeral Home with Rev. Earl Tew and Rev. Jimmy Spencer officiating. Burial will follow in Pinelawn Gardens. The family will receive friends 1 to 3 PM prior to the service at Bolton Funeral Home. Bro. Posey was born in Laurens, South Carolina on October 11, 1930 to the late B. Frank Posey, II and Jenelle Daniels Bush. He spent his youth growing up in towns throughout South Carolina, Alabama, Florida and Georgia and graduated from high School at the Georgia Military College in Milledgeville, GA in 1948. Called into the ministry as a young man, he pursued theological training at Howard College (now Samford University) in Birmingham, AL and at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans, LA. Bro. Frank was the type of pastor who believed one could shepherd others best in the context of deep, meaningful relationships and he sought ministry opportunities that would allow him to become deeply invested in the communities in which he served. Ordained to the ministry in 1952, he served two churches outside of Montgomery, AL on a part-time basis while a student at Howard College; Mount Zion Baptist Church and Pine Level Baptist Church; and following his seminary training, he served only four other congregations; First Baptist Church of Dawes in Mobile, AL (1957 – 1968), First Baptist Church of Leroy, AL (1968 – 1979), First Baptist Church of Frisco

City, AL (1979 – 1990) and Fairfield First Baptist Church in Fairfield, AL (1990-2005). He loved the Lord and he loved people, and he understood that serving God meant serving others. He was deeply committed to the members of his congregation and sought to be available to them at any hour to share in the sweetest joys, the deepest sorrows, or the most agonizing crises, ever pointing to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, and the One who is our ever-present help in time of need. He also sought to invest himself in the life of the greater community in which he was called to minister, serving as PTA President, volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad member and member of the Masonic Lodge. And he was almost always up to the challenge of turning out innumerable batches of his near infamous pancakes for the next community event or fundraiser. Through these and other outlets, he formed meaningful relationships with members of other local congregations, as well as with those who shared no formal church affiliation, and he sought to love and minister to all he knew. He loved his family deeply and was a devoted husband, father and grandfather, always believing his children and grandchildren were capable of the best and that his wife was the prettiest gal he'd ever set eyes on. A highly industrious man, he rarely sat still during his prime, yet counted among his greatest joys time spent with family, especially time spent fishing, hunting, playing games, gardening and traveling with his wife, children and grandchildren. His life was characterized by joy and laughter and he retained the capacity to bring a smile to the heart of others even as his mind and body began to fail. His life was a life well spent, and he will be sorely missed. Left to cherish his memory are his devoted wife of 59 years, Lou Jean Posey of Alabaster, AL; children, Larry Posey (Tracy) of Semmes, AL and Lori Posey Thompson (Tim) of Pelham, AL; grandchildren, Samuel Posey, Maggie Grace Posey, Andrew Thompson and Heather Thompson; and many close friends, neighbors, extended family members and caregivers. In lieu of flowers, the family would suggest memorials to either: The Alabama Baptist Children's Home, 2681 Ricky Ridge Lane, Birmingham, AL 35216; Evangel Classical Christian School, 423 Thompson Road, Alabaster, AL 35007; or The Gideons

International, PO Box 140800, Nashville, TN 37214. Please sign online
condolences at www.boltonfuneralhome.com.

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Tribute Wall

BO

“ Sorry to hear this and may God's blessing of peace and comfort be with you. God truly blessed my time with Frank, Lou and the members of Fairfield First Baptist as a guest musician there over the years.

Brad O'Rear - May 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ Mrs. Melba Lou, We are so very sorry for the passing of one of our dearest patient's. We will never forget all the times he came in with one of his silly jokes. It was always such a pleasure to see you both and we will miss him very much. We will keep you and yours in our prayer's. With love Dr. Steve Stricklin and Staff

Dr. Stricklin's office - April 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ My thoughts and prayers to the family in your time of loss.

Randall Key - April 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Lori, I'm so sorry for your loss. I can still picture your dad's sweet smile from when we were little. I will always treasure my time growing up with you and your family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Take care.

Tabitha Mays - April 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TF

“Lori, We're so sorry to hear about your dad. May God Bless you during this time and provide you with peace through all the wonderful memories you have of him. We're praying for you guys!
Lisa

The Porter Family - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CK

“Brother Frank will be missed. He served as pastor of my parents' church, Fairfield First Baptist Church, for many years. Brother Frank and my father, Clyde Letcher, so loved to tease each other. They were both quick to laugh and "light up a room". Brother Frank was loved and appreciated by so many followers of Christ. Our sympathy goes out to Lou and all of the family members during this difficult time.

Cheryl Letcher Kittinger - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JS

“We have all lost a wonderful pastor and friend. May God Bless all of you during this time. We send our love and prayers. Jim and Gloria

Jim and Gloria Spencer - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RP

“Dear Family, My prayers and thoughts are with you. Frank was a dear co-worker while I served in Monroeville and again while serving in B'ham. I still talk about all those pancakes suppers we had at Frisco and Monroeville. Rodney Puryear formerly with FBC-Monroeville, Central-Tarrant and now Woods New Hope, Tenaha, TX.

Rev. Rodney Puryear - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Our hearts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. May God lift you up by his mercy and grace.

LTC Missy McQueen - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Lou, Our prayers are with you and your children during this time.
Love Buddy&Lynda

Buddy&Lynda Cameron - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Larry & Tracy: sorry for your loss---prayers are with you

Shelia & Chris Lee - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ MRS.Posey, Larry,Lori & family I am so sorry for the loss of Bro. Frank, he was a big part of most all of the teenagers coming up in Frisco in the 80's. You all will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Jan Murph Anderson - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Lori and Larry Prayers are with you in this time of loss.

Jerry Browning - April 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Larry and Family are in our prayers.

Dan & Nancy Kincaid - April 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *A wonderful tribute to a truly special man. So many people were touched and knew they were loved by him. He was truly a pastor to his congregations showing God's love to us all.*

Jennifer Etheredge Smyly - April 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM