



# Donald Whitfield Gothard

September 16, 1933 - March 3, 2020

Gothard, Donald, age 86, of Columbiana, passed away on March 3, 2020. The visitation will be from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, March 5th, 2020 at First Baptist Church of Columbiana. The funeral service will be Friday, March 6th at 2:00 p.m., at the church with Dr. Mike Miller officiating.. Burial will follow at Pinelawn Gardens. Bolton Funeral Home is directing. Donald was the past president of the Alabama State Singing Convention and a board member to the Alabama School of Gospel Music.

Donald was preceded in death by his wife: Kyle Gothard; daughter: Leslie Brechin; parents: John and Jewel Gothard; sisters: Audrey Cox, Betty Dunnam; brother: Bobby Gothard.

He is survived by his son: Tony Gothard (Denise); daughters: Donna Smelcer (Bobby), Samantha Carden (Paul); granddaughters: Lisa Lemley (Adam), Dorie Greene (Russell), Tonya Leigh, Lindsey Richardson (James); grandsons: Christopher, Dexter, Clinton, and Drake Carden, Robert Smelcer (Anai), Donnie Brechin (Brooklyn); great grandchildren: Andrew Gothard, Tanner Greene, Noah Lemley, Aubrey Greene, Jackson Leigh, Tony Leigh, Layla Smelcer, Marlie Greene, Leslie Richardson, Levi Smelcer, Skyleigh Carden, and Liam Richardson; brother: Pete Gothard (Pricilla).

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# Cemetery Details

## Pinelawn Gardens

207 Hwy 47 South  
Columbiana, AL 35051

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Columbiana  
208 N Main St.  
Columbiana, AL 35051

## Funeral Service

MAR 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Columbiana  
208 N Main St.  
Columbiana, AL 35051

# Tribute Wall

Martha  
McBrayer

“ Love and Prayers for all the family. May God give you Peace and Comfort during this time. Your parents are together again, basking in their Heavenly home. I know that Heavenly choir is beautiful. Don was a good singer and wonderful supporter of convention music. We will miss him but He is happy now. Our love to all the family.



Martha McBrayer - March 06, 2020 at 08:48 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Donald Whitfield Gothard.



March 05, 2020 at 01:44 PM

SG

“ My sincere condolences to the family. I truly enjoyed the two weeks each year at the Alabama School of Gospel Music with Kyle and Don, and the times we (The Billy Gray Quartet) were blessed to sing with them. God bless and comfort.  
Sue Gray  
Rising Fawn, GA

Sue Gray - March 05, 2020 at 10:03 AM

KM

“ Kathy Morris lit a candle in memory of Donald Whitfield Gothard



Kathy Morris - March 05, 2020 at 03:53 AM

SC

“ Sharon Carden lit a candle in memory of Donald Whitfield Gothard



Sharon carden - March 04, 2020 at 09:24 PM

DK

“ I want to extend my deepest sympathy to your family in the loss of Donald Gothard. I got acquainted with him attending singing conventions in Alabama and Georgia. I will keep your family in my prayers.



Danny King - March 04, 2020 at 06:57 PM

SB

“ Donald was a very sweet man. Always was so nice to me. Singing conventions have lost a member of their family and a big supporter; but, Heaven has gained another member in that Heavenly choir. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. May God hold you close with peace and comfort.

Susan Bollman - March 04, 2020 at 03:33 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald Whitfield Gothard.



March 04, 2020 at 02:36 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Donald Whitfield Gothard.



March 04, 2020 at 02:11 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Donald Whitfield Gothard.



March 04, 2020 at 01:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Donald Whitfield Gothard.



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March 04, 2020 at 11:58 AM