



## DENNIS RAY HONEYCUTT

June 24, 1947 - December 2, 2020

### Obituary

Dennis Ray Honeycutt was born on June 24, 1947 to the late Julius H. Honeycutt and Ossie Bell Everett in Farmerville, Louisiana.

He was the youngest of four children. Dennis was reared and educated in the Farmerville Schools District.

As a young boy, he grew up with his three siblings and they would play church, and of course he and his oldest brother Cliff, would take turns preaching to the massive audience of their sister Eva Mae and his older brother, John Willie.

Dennis Ray joined Springhill Baptist Church in Oakland, Louisiana under the late Rev. C.L. Ramsey at an early age and received Christ as his personal savior. In 1965, he moved to Kansas City, Missouri where he lived with his special cousin, Dorothy Gatson and her family.

Dennis Ray worked various jobs through-out Kansas City, but his longest employment was with the Kansas City, Missouri Water Department for over 35yrs where he eventually retired. Everyone loved working with him and he always kept everyone laughing, while working on the job.

Dennis Ray started as a Deacon in the 70's at the Greater Antioch Missionary Baptist Church under the late Pastor Cleveland Buford. He preached his very first sermon there and was ordained later that year. They later combined with Bethlehem Church and the name was changed to Bethlehem Antioch Missionary Baptist Church where he served as an Assistant Pastor in the 1980's.

When Pastor Buford went home to be with the lord, he was appointed as Assistant Pastor in the 80's. It was not long after that he was appointed, Pastor Dennis Ray Honeycutt of the Greater Mt. Lebanon Missionary Baptist Church in the 1990's.

It was later on that he founded The Springhill Missionary Baptist Church where he was the devoted Pastor for over 14 years. He truly was a man that served and loved God along with his anointed gifts of singing and preaching. At the time of his death, he was 1st vice president of the Baptist Ministers Union of Kansas City, Missouri.

Pastor Honeycutt was the father of two children Kim and Marcus and was the step-father to many and would always talk about his children and the love he had for his family. His oldest niece Lequita and Pastor Honeycutt had a special bond and when she was born, he was only 12 yrs old and he loved to brag about his first niece. He also had a close relationship with Lequita's husband Michael Sr., they would often share many laughs and story's talking about their Funeral Homes in Denver, Colorado.

His special niece Teresa Honeycutt loved him, he stepped in as her counselor and father after losing both of her parents and they were very close as well.

To his other nieces and nephews, he was always looking out for everybody and even in his fussing, we all knew that he loved us.

After many relationships in his life, he eventually met and married Delores Rollins on August 5, 2017. He then became the step-father to her children, Tyrone, Angela Brown and Tajayla Rollins. He became very close to Delores grandson, Torrence who was living with him and Delores at the time of his death.

Pastor Dennis Ray and Delores was a very loving couple who shared many laughs and fellowship together, dressing sharp and always matching in their colors as they headed off to church.

Pastor had many hobbies but his favorite was playing dominoes, fishing, cooking, preaching and singing. He had a way that he would preach and in the middle of his preaching, he would begin singing the rest of his sermon.

He was also known to make comments underneath his breath as well as out loud that would leave you doubled over with laughter. It was important to him to make sure his family knew the older cousins that he grew up with, kept in contact with him.

When all of his siblings passed away before him, he was never really the same, he missed them dearly. He would always say that he felt alone at so many times.

On Wednesday, December 2, 2020. The Lord called Pastor Dennis Ray Honeycutt from labor to reward. He is preceded in death by his parents, his siblings, John Willie Honeycutt, Eva Mae Cowans, Cliff Young and sister in-law Muriel "Bill" Honeycutt.

He leaves to cherish his memory his wife Delores Honeycutt, his two children

Pastor Kimberly G. (Larry) Rucker, Marcus L. (Tiara) Whitley, his step children Gwendolyn (John) Jackson, Charlotte, Cedric (Rhonda) and Delisa Miles. Pastor Bruce S. (Bobbie) Whitley, Sr., Deborah A., Tamara J., Glenda F., Larry E., Flannery D., Ida M., Lizzy and Billy Evans, Wallace Whitley and Parrish Smith; 7 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren; a host of other nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many, many friends including his church family The Springhill Missionary Baptist Church.

Until we meet again.....

.... we love you Pastor Dennis Ray Honeycutt

Visitation will be held from 12pm to 6pm on Friday, December 18th at Springhill BC 3501 Elmwood Avenue KCMO 64128. Funeral Services will be held at 11am on Saturday, December 19th at Watkins Heritage Chapel 4000 Emanuel Cleaver Blvd. KCMO 64130. Visitation 9am. Interment Twelve Gates Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

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