



Artie Odell Collins

July 11, 1927 - September 3, 2020

Artie Odell Collins, 93, of Florence, Alabama died September 3, 2020 at North Alabama

Medical Center. Services will be conducted at noon on Saturday, September 5, at the

Springer Church of Christ, 1789 Summertown Hwy, Hohenwald, Tennessee with Bill

McDonald officiating. Burial will be in the Springer Cemetery. McDonald Funeral

Home is in charge of arrangements. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the visitation and

funeral will be limited. Visitation for the public will be from 10:30 to 11:30.

Family

visitation will start at 11:30 followed by a family funeral service at noon. We request that

everyone wear masks and follow social distancing practices.

He was born on July 11, 1927 in Hickman County, Tennessee, near the town of Wrigley

to the late Earldon Elfry Collins and Martha Louise Baker Collins. He was preceded in

death by Gladys Marie Myatt Collins, his wife of 66 years. He is survived by his sons

Larry Collins and wife Anne of Florence, Alabama, Mike Collins and wife

Wanda of Dallas, Georgia, and Bill Collins and wife Sabrina of Crosby, Mississippi, daughter Brenda Vick and husband Jerry of Gallatin, Tennessee; six grandchildren, Chris Collins, Rusty Collins, Brad Vick, Holly Hester, Briana Nelson, and Will Collins; fourteen great-grandchildren, Bailee Vick, Jenna Vick, Riley Vick, Reagan Vick, Nicholas Hester, Maddey Hester, Claire Hester, Fisher Collins, Sawyer Collins, Briley Nelson, Jonah Nelson, Liam Collins, Vivi Collins, and Lewis Collins. He is also survived by one sister, Jewel Hamm of Nashville, Tennessee.

He was a member of the Jackson Heights Church of Christ in Florence, Alabama. He was a gospel preacher for over 60 years. He preached full time in located work for the Church of Christ in Lynnville, Tennessee; Lexington, Alabama; Dechard, Tennessee; Estill Springs, Tennessee; and Capitol Hill in Winchester, Tennessee. He finished his full-time preaching career as minister for the Springer Church of Christ near Hohenwald, Tennessee for more than 30 years. During his career, he preached in more than 350 gospel meetings, lectureships, and vacation Bible schools in 12 states. He is also the author of two volumes of chart sermons and an autobiography of his life. Pallbearers will be Chris Collins, Brad Vick, Rusty Collins, Will Collins, Mike Nelson, John Hester, Fisher Collins, Sawyer Collins, and Nicholas Hester. The

education of

young ministers was very important to him. Memorials may be made to the

Preaching

Scholarship Fund at Mars Hill Bible School, 698 Cox Creek Parkway,

Florence, Alabama

35630 or to the general scholarship fund at Heritage Christian University, PO

Box HCU,

Florence, Alabama 35630.

Cemetery Details

Springer Cemetery

Summertown Highway

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 5. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Springer Church of Christ
Summertown Highway
Hohenwald, TN

Funeral Service

SEP 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

Springer Church of Christ
Summertown Highway
Hohenwald, TN

Tribute Wall



“ McDonald Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Artie Odell Collins



McDonald Funeral Home, Inc - October 25, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ My entire family and my best friend was camping at NACO many years ago and we all came to church one Sunday morning at the Springer Church of Christ and heard Artie preach that day. We all remember he used a chalkboard when he preached. We never forgot that. This meant so much to us and we have talked about that for years. Wonderful man.

Wanda Crouch - October 04, 2023 at 10:16 PM



“ Very Sorry for your loss! My Dad (Don Cash) thought a lot of Artie Collins, heard him more than once comment on how fine a person he was. To receive that high a praise from my Father is a rather HIGH achievement. Brother Collins, brought a lot of souls to Jesus Christ in the correct manner.!

Trent Cash - September 17, 2020 at 04:17 PM

WS

“ He was a wonderful man and came to speak at our mothers funeral even though he was not in great health, because they had been childhood friends at Wrigley. I have never forgotten that kindness, I know he will be remembered and missed by all that knew him. .My thoughts and prayers for his family.



Wanda Stone - September 12, 2020 at 02:43 PM

NC

“ Nancy Cochran lit a candle in memory of Artie Odell Collins



Nancy Cochran - September 06, 2020 at 11:42 AM

SC

Thank you for remembering Artie Collins and his family.

Sabrina Collins - September 08, 2020 at 11:53 PM

JW

“ Janet Wright lit a candle in memory of Artie Odell Collins



Janet Wright - September 05, 2020 at 09:35 PM

JO

“ *Judy Odem lit a candle in memory of Artie Odell Collins*



Judy Odem - September 04, 2020 at 07:52 PM

SC

Thank you for remembering Artie Collins and his family.

Sabrina Collins - September 08, 2020 at 11:54 PM

DC

“ *Donnie & Linda Carroll*



Donnie & Linda Carroll - September 04, 2020 at 07:37 PM

JJ

“ *Brother Artie lifted us, inspired us, and encouraged us so much so that to say we'll miss him would be a huge understatement. Thank you God for sending him our way even though it was for such a short time.*

James Joyce; Rebekah, Olivia, and Lilyann Riley

James Joyce - September 04, 2020 at 06:52 PM

SF

Artie was the preacher at Lexington when I was a teen. He had a way of making you want to do the right thing. I loved this man dearly just as many, many others did. My prayers for peace and comfort are with his family. Sandra Fields Faires

Sandra Faires - September 05, 2020 at 10:45 AM

SC

The family of Artie Collins want to thank you all so much for your sweet messages and your remembrances of him.

Sabrina Collins - September 08, 2020 at 11:56 PM

TP

“Occasionally, one comes into another's life and leaves a unique, positive, loving and firm Christian effect; such was Artie Collins. We are wonderfully blessed by Artie having been a part of our lives, though for a much shorter era than with his brethren from many years earlier. We treasure the time we had with this unique soldier. Sometimes our conversations would start with the greeting to Artie being "hello, you young whippersnapper" and proceed from there.

Our love to the family and our blessings of remembrance of this dear brother.

Tim & Marilyn Pannell

Tim & Marilyn Pannell - September 04, 2020 at 02:07 PM

SC

The family of Artie Collins want to thank you so much for your kind words about Artie and his impact on your and your family. He will be greatly missed.

Sabrina Collins - September 08, 2020 at 11:58 PM

DS

“ Bro. Artie was a fine Christian man. I loved how he did all of his felt board lessons. He did not have to look at the Bible to know what it said. He didn't say anything that he couldn't back up , by putting the scripture on that felt board. I shall miss hearing him preach the gospel.

Debbie Semore - September 04, 2020 at 12:36 PM

BI

“ Brenda Isbell sent a virtual gift in memory of Artie Odell Collins



Brenda Isbell - September 04, 2020 at 12:11 PM

SC

The family of Artie Collins want to thank you all for your kind and sweet words about Artie. He was a hard working servant of God and will be greatly missed by his family and those in the brotherhood.

Sabrina Collins - September 09, 2020 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ My husband, Ray, and Artie were great great friends. They were long time coon hunters and when they were too old to hunt they sure like to talk about it. Since Ray passed, Artie and I continued talking on the phone. He loved talking about the Wrigley Plant. He worked in the plant and I worked in the office so we both had lots to share. Artie was born and raised on Mill Creek and so were both of my parents. He did every funeral service in both Ray's and my family. except Ray's this past October. His wife, Marie's daddy was an elder where we worshiped. Artie, Marie and children have been a special part of my life. He preached the truth and spared none. Ray always love being the song director in the many gospel meetings with Artie. Prayers to Larry, Brenda, Mike and their families. I feel like I just lost part of my family. I think he has one surviving sibling, Jewel, out of 12 children. God blessed him well.



Reba McFarlin - September 04, 2020 at 10:48 AM

SC

The family of Artie Collins want to thank you for your kind words about Artie. He was a great friend to many and a christian example to all.

Sabrina Collins - September 09, 2020 at 12:02 AM

KM

“ Kay Murphy lit a candle in memory of Artie Odell Collins



Kay Murphy - September 04, 2020 at 10:38 AM

SC

Thank you for remembering Artie Collins and his family at this time.

Sabrina Collins - September 09, 2020 at 12:02 AM

VB

“ *Vicky Beagle lit a candle in memory of Artie Odell Collins*



Vicky Beagle - September 04, 2020 at 09:42 AM

SC

Thank you for remembering Artie Collins and his family at this time.

Sabrina Collins - September 09, 2020 at 12:03 AM

LC

“ *It was a joy to have brother Artie as a member at North Carolina Church of Christ. When it reached the point that he was unable to drive that distance regularly I urged him to consider Jackson Heights and he did and served well there. As we travel the road of life we contact many people I am so thankful that my road led me to meet and be associated with brother Artie for a number of years.*



Leon Cole - September 04, 2020 at 12:01 AM

SC

The family of Artie Collins want to thank you for sharing your love for him. He will be greatly missed by all.

Sabrina Collins - September 09, 2020 at 12:04 AM

KM

“ *Kathy Mcgahey sent a virtual gift in memory of Artie Odell Collins*



kathy mcgahey - September 03, 2020 at 07:48 PM

SC

Thank you for remembering Artie Collins and his family this way.

Sabrina Collins - September 09, 2020 at 12:05 AM

GL

“ *Gerry Cannon Loveless lit a candle in memory of Artie Odell Collins*



Gerry Cannon Loveless - September 03, 2020 at 07:20 PM

SC

Thank you for remembering Artie Collins and his family this way.

Sabrina Collins - September 09, 2020 at 12:05 AM

KM

“ *Kathy Mcgahey sent a virtual gift in memory of Artie Odell Collins*



kathy mcgahey - September 03, 2020 at 06:17 PM



Thank you for remembering Artie Collins and his family this way.

Sabrina Collins - September 09, 2020 at 12:06 AM