



Joseph Travis Nickell

January 31, 1929 - February 26, 2014

Joseph Travis Nickell, retired Baptist pastor of Maryville, TN, passed away February 26, 2014, from complications of Alzheimer's disease. He was 85. A graveside service and interment will be held at noon on Saturday, March 29th at the Charles L. Nickell Memorial Park in Centerville, TN.

Born in the Sugar Creek community of Hickman County, TN, the youngest of eleven children of Marvin Byron and Sula Travis Nickell, he graduated from Hickman County High School and the University of Tennessee—Knoxville. He earned graduate degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

He served as associate pastor of the Whitehaven Baptist Church in Memphis, Tennessee, and was Pastor of First Baptist Church of Monticello, Kentucky, First Baptist Church of Crossville, Tennessee, and Cedar Grove Baptist Church of Maryville, Tennessee where he retired as Pastor Emeritus. He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, serving as Chaplain and a member of the Knoxville Exchange Club.

He was preceded in death by sisters, Martha Warren Kelsey, Mary Rochelle, Anne Reeves and Amy Graves; brothers, Paul Nickell, Hugh Nickell, Marcus Nickell, Jim Nickell and Captain Charles Nickell, who was a fighter pilot lost at sea during WWII.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Mary Ruth Robinson Nickell of Maryville, children, sons, Tim Nickell and his wife, Pat, of Fayetteville, Arkansas, Mark Nickell and his wife Kaye, of Franklin, Tennessee, and daughter LuAnne Nickell Prevost of Knoxville, Tennessee, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren, and one sister, Christine McClannahan of Centerville, Tennessee.

Memorials may be made to Cedar Grove Baptist Church Youth Fund, 5302 Nails Creek Rd., Maryville, TN 37804.

Cemetery Details

Charles L Nickell Memorial Park

Centerville, TN 37033

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 29. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Centerville, TN 37033