



Kent Talley Sr.

June 30, 1929 - July 25, 2020

Joseph Kenneth Talley, Sr., 91, widower of Sara Jean Langley Talley, passed away July 25, 2020.

A native of Greer, he was a son of the late Joseph Arthur and Lula B. Runion Talley; a retired employee of Cranston Print Works; a U.S. Army Veteran of the Korean War; a former Minister of Music of Oak Grove Baptist Church in Landrum as well as other Baptist churches and a member of Fairview Baptist Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Trudy Bennett (Ray) of Murphy, North Carolina, Martha Thompson of Greer and Patricia Criscola of Greer; one son, Chris Talley (Beverly) of Greer; seven grandchildren, Kyle Thompson, Jay (JK) Criscola, Andrew Talley, Jackson Talley, Kayelin Talley, Bennett Talley and Reese Talley; and two great-grandchildren, Analeigh Criscola and Leia Talley. Mr. Talley was also predeceased by one son, Joseph Kenneth Talley, Jr.; four brothers and four sisters.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at Fairview Baptist Church, conducted by Dr. Eddie Leopard and Rev. Lynn Stewart.

Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

The body will lie in state at The Wood Mortuary from 10:00 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 27, 2020.

The family will be at the home of the son, Chris Talley.

Memorials may be made to Fairview Baptist Church Foundation for the Future, 1300 Locust Hill Road, Greer, SC 29651 or Oak Grove Baptist Church

Building Fund, 826 Oak Grove Road, Landrum, SC 29356.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Fairview Baptist Church Cemetery

1400 Locust Hill Road
Greer, SC 29651

Previous Events

Service

JUL 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

Fairview Baptist Church
1300 Locust Hill Road
Greer, SC 29651

Tribute Wall

RA

“ *Renee Atkins lit a candle in memory of Kent Talley Sr.*



Renee Atkins - August 06, 2020 at 10:31 PM

HS

“ *We are sorry for the loss of Kent and are thankful for his life. May God give you His peace and comfort during these difficult days.*
Rev. Lonnie and Hazel Shull

Hazel Shull - July 28, 2020 at 04:53 PM

JH

“ *Joan Harbin lit a candle in memory of Kent Talley Sr.*



Joan Harbin - July 28, 2020 at 12:52 PM

DS

“ *Diana Stroud lit a candle in memory of Kent Talley Sr.*



Diana Stroud - July 28, 2020 at 08:56 AM

DM

“ *Dotti Morrow lit a candle in memory of Kent Talley Sr.*



Dotti Morrow - July 27, 2020 at 08:15 PM

BG

“ *Tricia, Oh my sweet friend, my heart breaks for you and your family. I have so many great memories of your dad and mom. From our young days hanging out at your house. Your dad always made me laugh. Mama and daddy always wanted me to make him a cake for Christmas. My favorite memories is when I delivered his black walnut pound cake one evening. Your mom told me he hid it on the screen porch. She said he ate it down to the last two pieces then ask her if she wanted a piece. That still makes me laugh. My mama loved your dad being at Oak Grove. She and my dad loved to her him sing. He was so special to them. We love you and are praying for you.*

brenda gilreath - July 27, 2020 at 07:00 PM

MM

“ On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain:

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a crown.*

*O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above
to bear it to dark Calvary. [Refrain]*

*In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
a wondrous beauty I see,
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,
to pardon and sanctify me. [Refrain]*

*To that old rugged cross I will ever be true,
its shame and reproach gladly bear;
then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
where his glory forever I'll share. [Refrain]*

United Methodist Hymnal

Mark McCully - July 27, 2020 at 06:00 PM

PW

“ Tim & I loved Mr. & Mrs. Talley. We enjoyed many years at Oak Grove Baptist Church with him being Minister of Music and Mrs. Talley playing the organ. There will never ever be 2 sweeter, God loving people walk this earth. They were precious to us. They were always involved in things at the church and things outside of the church with church members families. I have many precious, fond & sweet memories of them attending birthday parties, graduation parties and cookouts with their church family.
Mr. Talley will truly be missed just as Mrs. Talley has been missed, but they are now in the presence of their Lord and reunited together again.
We are praying for all the family.
Love, Tim & Patty Ward

Patty Ward - July 27, 2020 at 05:16 PM

JN

“ To the Family of Ken Talley, I worked with Ken many years at Cranston Print Works. He was always a gentleman to me and co workers. So sorry for Your loss. John A. Nix, Flat Rock NC

John A. Nix - July 27, 2020 at 04:59 PM

AJ

“ Chris so sorry to hear of your dads passing. He is holding hands with his bride now. Praying for you.

Azalee Jones - July 27, 2020 at 12:25 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kent Talley Sr..*



July 27, 2020 at 09:15 AM



“ *Carol Duncan lit a candle in memory of Kent Talley Sr.*



Carol Duncan - July 27, 2020 at 07:19 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Kent Talley Sr..*



July 27, 2020 at 06:52 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Kent Talley Sr..*



July 26, 2020 at 10:01 PM



“ Dear Talley family,
I was so fortunate to be Kenneth and Sara's family doc for many years. When I would walk into the exam room with them (usually together), there was always a remarkable sense of peace which for me was calming and gave me clarity of thought. I have no doubt that this peace is amplified now in a way we will have to wait to experience. My wife Ylva (who knew them from the Heartlife program at Allen Bennett) and I will always remember them.
Bill Byars

William Byars - July 26, 2020 at 09:49 PM



“ We loved Kenneth Talley. He served with us at Milford Baptist Church back in the early 1970s. He was a wonderful Christian gentleman and loved gospel music. He will be missed.

Timothy Lee - July 26, 2020 at 07:26 PM



“ We know just how very special your father was to you Chris and we send you and your family our deepest condolences . Mike and Annette Reynolds

Annette Reynolds - July 26, 2020 at 05:04 PM