



## Rev. Dr. Trenton L. Connelly

January 24, 1941 - January 22, 2023

Rev. Dr. Trenton Lavern Connelly, 81, passed away January 22, 2023.

A native of Pickens, son of the late Ivy Lee and Addie Simmons Connelly. Mr. Connelly attended North Greenville College where he received his associate degree in 1963, Furman University receiving his bachelor's degree in 1965, New Orleans Baptist Seminary receiving his TH. M. degree in 1969, and Luther Rice Seminary receiving his D. Min. degree in 1981. He ministered at West Union Baptist, West Union, SC, Poe Baptist Church, Greenville, SC, Clearview Baptist Church, Travelers Rest, SC, Cashiers Baptist Church, Cashiers, NC, Northwood Baptist Church, Greer, SC, Westside Baptist Church, Union, SC, and Praters Creek Baptist Church, Pickens, SC. He was a retired Baptist minister and a member of Cedar Grove Baptist Church. It is his greatest desire that everyone who reads this obituary will also know Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior so that we can all be united together in Heaven eternally.

Surviving are his wife, Kay Cox Connelly of the home; two sons, Michael Lee Connelly (Joy) of Spartanburg and Steven Mark Connelly (Tamara) of Taylors; a daughter, Linda Connelly Matthews (Mark) of Lyman; a stepson, Daniel Fowler (Taylor) of Williamston, SC; a stepdaughter, Dana Crawford of Pelzer; a brother, Rev. Randall Jack Connelly (Violet) of Easley; eight grandchildren, Cami Ponder Shook, Caden Ponder, Lydia Connelly, Ivey Connelly, Thomas Connelly, EllaKate Fowler, Sadler Grace Fowler, and Jacob Alexander; and six great-grandchildren, Makon Connelly, Malaki Connelly, Asher White, Remi

Shook, Radlee Shook, and Juniper Alexander.

Mr. Connelly was predeceased by his first wife, Malinda Joyce Owens Connelly; one grandson, Trent Daniel Connelly; one great-granddaughter, Preslee Jane Connelly; and son-in-law, Joel Matthew Crawford.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 pm Thursday, January 26, 2023, at Northwood Baptist Church conducted by Rev. Jack Connelly, Rev. Jim Carpenter, and Dr. Billy Dickerson. Burial will follow in Wood Memorial Park. Visitation will be held 11:45 am -1:45pm Thursday, January 26, 2023, at the church.

The family will be at their respective homes.

Memorials may be made to Cedar Grove Baptist Church, 13024 Highway 20, Belton, SC 29627.

Online condolences may be made at [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Wood Memorial Park

863 Gap Creek Road  
Duncan, SC 29334

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 26. 11:45 AM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Northwood Baptist Church  
888 Ansel School Road  
Greer, SC 29651

## Service

JAN 26. 2:00 PM (ET)

Northwood Baptist Church  
888 Ansel School Road  
Greer, SC 29651

# Tribute Wall

MA

“ *Michael Anthony lit a candle in memory of Trenton Connelly*



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**Michael Anthony** - January 26, 2023 at 08:28 PM

CB

*Dr Connelly pastored at Enoree Baptist Church in Travelers Rest and was there when my husband had a massive stroke and was in Mission Hospital in Asheville NC for 10 days. Pastor Connelly came to Asheville every day and sat with us in waiting room. It was such a comfort to me to have him there to talk to and pray with. I felt like God sent him to Enoree especially for me and my family. He will always hold a special place in my heart. Prayers for peace to his family.*

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**Carol Batson** - January 27, 2023 at 11:39 AM

MS

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Trenton’s passing. He was so very kind to my late grandparents, Eva Connelly Langford and Clifton Langford, visiting them often in their elderly years. Clifton taught him how to fix clocks! Trenton preached his Aunt Eva’s funeral and I could tell that was tough on him but it was important to her, so he agreed, which meant a lot to us. We know we will see him again! Sending prayers for his wife and children, my email is knowingdogs@gmail.com if you would like to be in touch. I just found out about his passing in the wee hours of today, I hate I can’t come to the service, I am four hours away in NC. Keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Melanie Travis Schlaginhaufen** - January 26, 2023 at 12:08 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Trenton L. Connelly.*



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January 25, 2023 at 12:06 PM



“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers. James & Teresa Moss Buchanan, Concord NC*



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**Teresa Buchanan** - January 24, 2023 at 09:38 PM



“ *Linda, and family, our prayers are with you on the passing of Trenton. He was a fine man and Karen and I loved to be around him and Mrs Connelly. He will be missed but, we know where he is !!!  
Love ya Linda Karen & Steve Cobb*

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**Steve Cobb** - January 24, 2023 at 07:33 PM

RH

“ I have wonderful memories of Pastor Connelly, Joyce, Mike, Steve, and Linda at Clearview Baptist Church. I remember Pastor Connelly's kind and humble spirit (a true servant's heart), as well as his gifts of music and ministry. He officiated at my wedding ceremony in 1989!!

You can be so proud of the man he was, the heritage he left for his family, and the MANY lives he touched!!

Sending love and prayers,  
Rhonda Hipp (and Mom Gail)

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**Rhonda Hipp** - January 24, 2023 at 11:40 AM

JO

“ Dr. Trenton was such a blessing when he attended our church, Apalache. He was a wonderful Godly gentleman, who loved serving our Lord. He had a beautiful voice and loved to sing. His daughter Linda played the piano for him.

We really enjoyed having him and his sweet Wife with us , they were such a blessing!

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**Jane Orr** - January 23, 2023 at 10:14 PM

WD

“ Wilma Dain lit a candle in memory of Trenton Connelly



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**Wilma Dodd Dain** - January 23, 2023 at 09:32 PM



“ Linda, Mike and Steve! We are so Sorry for your loss. Your Dad was a very Special Person in our lives for such along time. We have nothing But fond memories of him. We are Are Praying for your families. We know we will see him again and what a reunion that will be! Roger and Yvonne Alford!

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**Roger Alford** - January 23, 2023 at 06:21 PM



“ Judy Friddle lit a candle in memory of Trenton Connelly



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**Judy Friddle** - January 23, 2023 at 05:12 PM



“ This is Lynn Jones Kay i am so sorry to hear the loss of your husband. You have always been my best friend and special one. May God comfort you at this time . Your friend lynn jones.



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**Lynn Jones** - January 23, 2023 at 05:06 PM