



Ronald Bell Sr.

August 4, 1954 - December 14, 2018

Ronald Bell, Sr. was born August 4, 1954 to the late Viola and Charles Albert Bell, Sr. He departed this life on December 14, 2018. Ronald was raised in Marion Station, Maryland. He matriculated through Somerset County Public Schools and then enlisted in the United States Air Force. After an honorable discharge, he earned a bachelor's degree in Sociology from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, and he graduated #1 in his class from Gammon Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Georgia.

A United Methodist pastor for over 40 years, Ronald served in several roles, including chaplain at Wesley College, Eastern Correctional Institution, and Coastal Hospice; pastor at charges in Mt. Vernon/Venton, Lawrenceville/Dacula GA, Fruitland/Allen, Denton, Pocomoke, Ironshire, and Princess Anne/Oaksville; director of Salisbury Urban Ministry; and Easton District Superintendent.

Ronald's love for God was evident to all who met him, but he will probably be best remembered for his earnest humility and love for people. He enjoyed serving others and was a faithful volunteer at the soup kitchen and many other community programs. Ronald was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, brother, mentor, and friend.

Ronald loved to travel, and he took his family on many grand adventures, both

near and far. He also loved to go “piddling,” which usually included visiting or helping a friend, family member, or parishioner, or possibly fishing, one of his favorite past-times.

Ronald leaves a large family to cherish his memory: his loving wife of almost 39 years, Joyce; children, Dorothy (Jerome Sr.), Ronald Jr. (Eboni), and Jocelyn (Traver); spiritual son, JD Miller (Tammie); grandchildren, Jerome Jr., Kevin, Ronald III, Nicholas, Jade, and David; siblings, Charles Albert Jr. (Catherine), Dorothy (Preston), Joseph, Robert (Debbie), his twin brother Donald (Angela), Doreen, and Darlene; god-children, Sean Kelly and Alexis Bell; and a host of uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, and friends whom he loved like family.

When reflecting on his life and journey, Rev. Ronald Bell, Sr. said, “I’ve spent my entire life preaching about this moment: The Kingdom of God. Now I get to experience it firsthand. I am blessed; I’ve had grace on top of grace.” Amen.

John 17:4b I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do

Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry to hear of the loss of your love one. Please find comfort at Revelation 21:4 gives us hope that God is going to remove death ,sickness and pain in the future. The Bible will help you in your time of grief.

C Perry - December 29, 2018 at 09:14 AM

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“ To the family,Death is something that we can never get use to, no matter how many times we experience it. I never knew how much pain death causes until it touched me personally, I pray that GOD will grant you comfort and strength during the coming days. The Sovereign Lord assures us that our loved ones are not suffering and we have an opportunity to see them again (Psalm 146:4; Act 24:15). GOD knows our pain when we are suffering from the loss of a close family member and he will help you to cope with the anguish. He encourages you to throw your burden on him (Psalm 55:22; Isaiah 41:10). Mr. Bell touched a lot of people lives. Imagine him in the days of his youth and never getting sick again (Job 33:25; Isaiah 33:24) Theses are just a few promises that our GOD has made to his children that is soon to be fulfilled. Meantime, he is resting (John 11:11,13,14). I hope you and your family find some comfort in this message and know that my thoughts are with all of you.

Brigthe Mentzer - December 28, 2018 at 12:08 PM

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“ Condolences to Dr. Joyce Bell and family. Sarah Todman and family

Sarah Todman - December 26, 2018 at 05:12 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. We are near the time when God will take action to restore peace and everlasting life to obedient humankind. God promises: *I will change their mourning into exultation, and I will comfort them and make them rejoice away from their grief.* Jeremiah 31:13-17. The Bible, gives us true hope for the dead and consolation for the living. Acts 24:15; Revelation 20:12-14; 21:1-4. Ms Woodson

December 26, 2018 at 01:18 PM



“ My deepest condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. While nothing will completely take away your grief, by meditating on Gods promises found in the Bible, you can find real hope and the strength to keep going. My family and I have found the scripture at Isaiah 25:8 to be especially comforting. Here it promises that God "will swallow up death forever and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."

H. Fields - December 24, 2018 at 07:50 PM



“ Sorry for the passing of your love one. Read Isaiah 41:10 for words of comfort and peace.

Irene - December 23, 2018 at 04:35 PM



“ I'm so sorry for the loss of your loved one. Please accept my deepest condolences. May the Father of tender mercies and God of all comfort be with you at this grievous time. 2 Corinthians 1: 3, 4

Heartfelt Sympathies - December 20, 2018 at 06:53 PM

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“ Please accept my heartfelt condolences on the loss of your loved one. May the wonderful memories of your loved one continue to provide a measure of comfort to you until God\u2019s promise is fulfilled at (Roman 15: 3).

allenjoyce444@gmail.com - December 20, 2018 at 03:42 PM

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“ Sorry For Your Loss Jesus Christ Loves Me We Love You

Thomas Widgeon - December 18, 2018 at 08:35 PM