

## Rev. Albert Jay Levensgood Jr.

February 12, 1929 - September 17, 2012

Rev. Albert Jay Levensgood, Jr., went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Monday evening, September 17, 2012, at his home surrounded by his family. He was born February 12, 1929 in St. Louis, MO to the late Albert Jay and Ella (Martin) Levensgood, Sr. Rev. Al was a graduate of Rhea Central High School and earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Bryan College. He was a teacher in the Rhea County school system and was the former pastor of Cranmore Cove Baptist Church. He was also a Director of Tennessee Mountain Mission and Cumberland Springs Bible Camp and was a member of Cranmore Cove Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Joyce (Cooper) Levensgood of Dayton, daughters Karen Johnson and Kathy (Mike) Hathaway of Dayton and Karla (Burt) Graham of Spring City, grandchildren Matt (Angel) Johnson, Mandi (Dexter) Cranfill, Robby Johnson, Luke (Rachel) Hathaway, and Tabatha (Tim) Coleman, all of Dayton and Rachel (fiancee' Jared Marshall) Hathaway of Chattanooga, great-grandchildren Baylee Nunley, Carley Thomas, Derrick Coleman, Logan, Eli, and Maggie Johnson, all of Dayton, sisters Grace Bennett of Knoxville and Miriam Levensgood of Tahlequah, OK.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cranmore Cove Baptist Church, 1745 Upper Cove Loop, Dayton, TN 37321 or to TMM Ministries, Cumberland Springs Bible Camp, P.O. Box 455, Dayton, TN 37321

The family would like to express their gratitude to Hospice of Chattanooga for their care and comfort and a special thanks to Rebecca Anderson for her loving care of Rev. Al. Funeral services for Rev. Levensgood will be Thursday at 3:00 pm in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Bob Schafer and Rev. David Haynes officiating. He will be laid to rest in Rhea Memory Gardens, followed by a white dove release.

Please share your memories of Rev. Al on his on-line guest register at <http://www.vanderwallfh.com>.

The family is being served by the Vanderwall Funeral Home in Dayton, where they will receive friends Wednesday from 5:00 to 8:00 pm.

# Cemetery

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## Rhea Memory Gardens

Hwy 27

Dayton, TN,

# Events

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**SEP** **Visitation** 05:00PM - 08:00PM

**19**

Vanderwall Funeral Home, Inc.

164 Maple St., Dayton, TN, US, 37321

**SEP** **Service**

**20**

Chapel

US

# Comments

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“ Grandpa

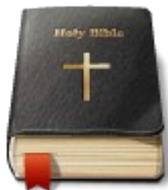
Oh, how I miss you, your smile and humor, your prayers and love, I miss hearing you and Grandma reading the Bible together at night and Christmas isn't the same without you sharing the story of Christ with your family before opening gifts. You left such an impact on many lives...and now, Aunt Miriam joins you as y'all wait for us left behind to join you. I love you, thank you for being such an amazing man of God and teaching your girls, grandchildren and great grandchildren about Christ!

Tabatha - November 14, 2020 at 06:44 PM

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“ STEVE & TERESSA GENTRY WILSON sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Albert Jay Levensgood Jr.



STEVE & TERESSA GENTRY WILSON - September 24, 2012 at 08:48 PM



“ A WONDERFUL TEACHER AND ALWAYS WAS SO CARING.

STEVE & TERESSA GENTRY WILSON - September 24, 2012 at 08:49 PM

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“ God blessed our world with Rev. Levensgood's life. I am very thankful to say he was my 6th grade teacher & principal at Spivey Elem. Rev. Levensgood also married my husband and I at my parents home 35 years ago. He will forever hold a special place in our hearts. Heaven must be rejoicing to have him join them, but we pray for God's strength & comfort for his family here on earth. May God Bless You All.

Retta & Randy Ford - September 22, 2012 at 08:23 PM

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“ The words that immediately come to mind are, "a man after God's own heart." I remember a gentle, kind, and loving man who lived in our neighborhood. Brother and Sister Levengood and their family were my first exposure to Christians who called themselves Baptists. I would grow to claim the tradition. Brand names were certainly not as important to him as the Gospel of Christ - which he shared convincingly in both word and action. My deepest condolences to his family and community.

**Greg Pope** - September 21, 2012 at 09:54 PM

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“ Brother Al will always be a part of my life. What an example of love, service, and humility he was to us all. I can't to see him in heaven. "Well done thy good and faithful servant"....

Pastor David Haynes

**David H. Haynes** - September 20, 2012 at 12:22 PM

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“ Ray And Julia Patton lit a candle in memory of Rev. Albert Jay Levengood Jr.



**Ray and Julia Patton** - September 20, 2012 at 08:44 AM

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“ Gary And Teresa Greene sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Albert Jay Levengood Jr.



**Gary and Teresa Greene** - September 19, 2012 at 10:05 PM

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“ John, Amy And Abbie Black sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Albert Jay Levensgood Jr.



John, Amy and Abbie Black - September 19, 2012 at 10:04 PM

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“ Amy Black lit a candle in memory of Rev. Albert Jay Levensgood Jr.



Amy Black - September 19, 2012 at 10:03 PM

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“ Ruth Ross lit a candle in memory of Rev. Albert Jay Levensgood Jr.



Ruth Ross - September 19, 2012 at 08:10 PM



“ Dear Levensgood Family,

Please know that I am praying for you at this difficult time and know that you are rejoicing that Al is with the Lord he served for many years. Thinking back I remember him as a college student when I first met him. He served the Lord in many ways--I got to even teach with him when he was down the hall at DCS.

May the Lord be with you all and give you His strength and good memories of your loved one.

Ruth Ross

Ruth Ross - September 19, 2012 at 08:17 PM



“ Callie Thurman Belk lit a candle in memory of Rev. Albert Jay Levensgood Jr.



**Callie Thurman Belk** - September 19, 2012 at 03:36 PM



“ My Teacher , MY friend, My principal.. he was both a teacher in class , and in spirit.  
Each years his came make it possible for use to go with scolorships by learning memory verses.  
What a blessing,  
Through the years when I could see him out , It brought a smile to my face. Callie thurman Belk  
you have fought a good fight

**Callie Thurman Belk** - September 19, 2012 at 03:38 PM



“ I remember my children attending Waldens Ridge school where I met Rev. and Mrs Levensgood, she was the principal. He supported his wife, the PTO, the teachers and the students with many kindnesses.. Both supported Cumberland bible camp and lived a godly example for the many years that I lived in that area. My prayers are with his family and those they love.  
Betty Ewton Wooden

**Betty Sue Ewton Wooden** - September 19, 2012 at 03:26 PM

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“ I never saw my Uncle Al be anyway but kind and loving. If there was a man that modeled his life after my Saviour, it was my Uncle Al. I know that he would not think so, but I saw it in him. I truly loved him and always called him my "Favorite Uncle". He was committed to the Lord, and did not waver in his beliefs. He will be missed, but oh, the welcome he must be getting in heaven. My grandpa and grandma are dancing with delight to have another family member come home. I am sure Uncle Al is happily and humbly kneeling at the feet of Jesus. Love you, Uncle Al!

Thank you Aunt Joyce and family for the wonderful care you provided for Uncle Al. There has never been a family so devoted to a loved one as your family has been, even down to the grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great, great grandchildren. May the Lord bless you for being His faithful stewards. Love you all!

Joy Heiss



**Joy Heiss** - September 18, 2012 at 04:55 PM

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“ Bro. Al's commitment to the Lord, the church and his family not just inspired me. It inspired my pastors and others who inspired me and helped me to become the woman I am today. He was a great influence on many people directly and indirectly. I love this family for the great love they have for me, each other but most importantly the Lord. What a great example I have to follow. He will be missed but I look forward to seeing his family and friends to celebrate his new permanent home!

**Hilary Ferguson Freeman** - September 18, 2012 at 04:24 PM