



## Dr. Raymond L. Hancock

September 8, 1927 - February 3, 2015

Dr. Raymond L. Hancock, age 87, went to be with the Lord while at home in Hampton, GA, on February 3, 2015. Dr. Hancock is survived by two brothers; 4 children, Linda James of Pensacola, FL, Donna Via of Williamsburg, VA, Daniel Hancock of Hampton GA, Earnest Dale Hancock of Wilmington, NC; 15 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren and 3 great great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by Mary Annell Hancock, his wife of 66 ½ years. Dr. Hancock was born on September 8, 1927 in Tampa, FL to Leo and Ruby Hancock. Dr. Hancock graduated from Tennessee Temple University with a degree in Theology in 1957. His 39 years of pastoral ministry began at Providence Baptist Church in Brandon, FL. It grew to be the largest rural church in the State of Florida. Under his direction Providence Christian School and College was established. In 1976 he was called to Pinecrest Baptist Church where he pastored for 20 years before going into Evangelism. In the mid 1990's he founded the Independent Baptist Fellowship of Georgia. He has traveled the country speaking and teaching in Christian colleges and churches around the nation and has written many books. His favorite pastime was golf and enjoyed shooting his age more than once. His hobby was making and repairing golf clubs for friends and family with a PGA certification. A funeral is scheduled for February 10, 2015 at 1 PM at Harvest Baptist Tabernacle, 1974 Walt Stephens Rd, Jonesboro, GA 30236. The family will receive friends on February 9, 2015 from 5-8 PM at Harvest Baptist Tabernacle. Entombment will be at Eastlawn Cemetery in McDonough, GA. The family would like to thank

everyone for their efforts, care and dedication to Dr. Hancock. In lieu of flowers make contributions to Vitas Hospice at [www.vitas.com/ga](http://www.vitas.com/ga) . Ford-Stewart Funeral Home, Inc., Jonesboro, GA 770-210-2700.

# Tribute Wall

LC

“ My husband, Jake Cartwright, and I were privileged to keep Dr. Raymond and Mary in our home in Americus. Ga during revival that he preached @ Brooklyn Heights Baptist Church. Also took children to Camp Joy one summer. Received such blessings from knowing these two servants of God.

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**Leona Cartwright** - January 31, 2023 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ RIP Brother Raymond, you baptized me in 1962 at providence Baptist church , I was a very young boy, my mom was a sunday school teacher, I last seen you at Scotty Drake's Fellowship Baptist church in 2008 when you came to visit, I always enjoyed your teaching's and thank you for taking time to teach us, God Bless you..

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**Glenn Hunnicutt** - October 22, 2019 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I was a little boy when God was working mightily at Smyrna Baptist church Tampa, fl, under the ministry of Rev F E Moffitt. My dad and Raymond Hancock were saved about the same time in the late 1950's. They were young and enjoyed bible studies with other young couples on Sunday nights after a long day at church on Sundays. They could not get enough of God's Word. Pastor Raymond Hancock and his family were a powerful influence on my life before he was called to preach. Seeing him , his family and my parents reading the bible praying and laughing with the joy of christian fellowship made an eternal impact on my life and soul. before he was called to the Gospel ministry

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**Don Gaffney** - September 18, 2019 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ Thank you Brother Hancock for leading me to Christ on March 19, 1960 at Providence Baptist Church. I went on to become a pastor and have lead more than 1,200 to Christ. All this because of you leading me to Christ!

Thanks so much!!!

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**Dr K. Wayne Tope** - August 25, 2019 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ Till we meet in HEAVEN...  
From the Pratt Family...

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**Gail Pratt German** - February 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Dr. Raymond Hancock extended to us at Grace Baptist Church of Fayetteville, Ga the kindest of support. He preached and lived the Word of God with clarity, conviction, compassion; without compromise. He remains a Hero of the Faith!

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**Pastor Jerome Binns** - February 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Dr. Raymond Hancock was a really wonderful witness for our Lord. I worked on the Seaboard Airline Railroad with him in Tampa, Florida. I really appreciate the influence that he had on our son, Tom Vann, Jr. He was a Godly man during his lifetime. God Bless his memory and God Bless his entire family. Tom Vann, Jr. has been a minister for over 40 years. His church is in Rentz, GA.

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**Tom Vann, Sr.** - February 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ Dr. Hancock was a friend to this preacher! I first meet him when he substituted for Dr. Curtis Hudson and drove 4 hours to Claxton Ga. And preached to a pack house his now famous sermon " I think I will go on anyway". No one was disappointed!

*I also was in the meeting where he shared with a few of us pastors in Georgia about beginning a Pastor's fellowship where all the independent baptist fellowships would get together and exhort one another. And now this meeting as become one of the greatest meetings in the nation and serves as a source of great encouragement so so many pastors.*

*Family thank you for. Sharing Dr. Hancock with all of us and our ministries ! He made an eternal impact on my life and so many pastors and missionaries around the world.*

*p.s. I never beat him in golf!*

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**Pastor Wayne Cofield** - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Our prayers go out to the entire family. We had the privilege of sitting under Bro. Hancock's ministry for several years and had great respect and love for him.

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**Kermit and Gloria Weible** - February 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ So sorry to hear of Dr. Hancock's passing. He was a true champion of the Faith we have in Jesus Christ. May God bless his family in this time of sorrow. I met him 41 years ago when he spoke to us young preachers at Trinity Baptist College in Jax Fl. and just a few months ago he was in our church and gave me some of his books...He will certainly be missed.

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**Pastor Ken Martin** - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Linda, Donna, Danny, and Ernie: My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. I pray for God's peace to embrace each of you. I also celebrate with you the knowledge that he is with his Saviour and awaiting those he loved on this earth to join him in Glory!

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**Tony Spano** - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GC

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**Gary Chapman** - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I enjoyed Dr. Hancock's ministry from Tenn Temple days and often since then. God bless his family and legacy across America.

*When I was pastor of one of Dr. Roberson's chapels, Wayside Baptist Church in Graysville, TN, I was told that Bro. Hancock had also served there when he was a student. I felt honored!*

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**Joey Watt** - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Words cannot express how Dr. Hancock influenced my family's life. He preached the gospel and led us to Christ. The love of Christ was evident in his life and he showed that love to his people at Providence Baptist Church. My family was blessed and privileged to be under his ministry. The foundation of our faith in Christ was given to us by Bro. Hancock. Truly, to know him was to love him. He not only was a servant of Christ, but he influenced many others to enter the ministry through his faithfulness to the preaching of God's word and the example of Christ he so passionately lived. He finished the race well, and fought the good fight until the end. He will have many crowns to cast at the feet of Jesus. Many of us will meet him in Heaven because of his preaching and faithfulness to the Lord Jesus Christ who he loved so very much.

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**Carol Scarborough Pearson** - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Your father was a great man of God and friend to my family for over 55 years. Praying for God's peace and comfort on your family.

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**Robert Chapman** - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ I will truly miss my preacher, that I loved so dearly. He impacted my life for almost 40 years. He will be so missed on this earth but I know I will see him again on day.

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**Sharon Simpson McClendon** - February 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ It was at Providence Baptist Church under Dr Hancock's ministry when I received the Lord. I had the privilege of calling him Pastor. My sympathies go out to all the family.

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**Evelyn Pricher** - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM