



Rev. Vance Ernest Windom Jr.

February 20, 1957 - January 6, 2024

Rev. Vance "Vann" Ernest Windom, Jr., 66, passed away January 6, 2024 at Southwest Mississippi Regional Medical Center in McComb, MS. Visitation will be Wednesday from 5pm-8pm and Thursday from 10am-11am at West McComb Baptist Church. Services will be 11am Thursday at West McComb Baptist Church and burial at Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery.

Brother Vann preached for the Lord for 48 years in 5 Southern Baptist Churches where he loved to tell people about his love of the Lord. His hobbies were his kids, hunting, fishing and spending time in the outdoors with his family and friends. He loved his bride of 47 years and spoiled her rotten! He loved watching his grandchildren all he could. Brother Vann had been the pastor of West McComb Baptist Church for the past 20 years and loved his church and congregation.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents, Will and Lou McKinzie, Robert and Jeffie Earnest Windom, better known as Mimi and Aunt Jeffie to the many that loved her; his in-laws, Martha and Foster Tyson; nephew, MacKenzie White; and sister-in-law, Martha Gail Rice.

He is survived by his wife of 47 faithful years, Denise Windom; children, Bethany Martin (Brian), Vance Windom, III (Courtney), Tyson Windom (Ashley) and Sam Chenn-Nomenn (Anna); parents, Vance Ernest Windom, Sr.

and Levunia McKinzie Windom; sister, Mytra White (Randy); sister-in-law, Carolyn Welch (Joe); brother-in-law, Sherman Rice; grandchildren, Gracyn Jewell Martin, Ethan Martin, Blayten Windom, Addie Windom, Tyson Windom, Jr., Aubrey Windom, Colt Windom, Sam Chenn-Nomenn and Simon Peter Chenn-Nomenn.

Memorials may be made to Baptist Children's Village – Dickerson Place, 491 Dickerson Lane SE, Brookhaven, MS 39601, Bethel Baptist Church Building Fund, 6161 Hwy 472, Hazlehurst, MS 39083, or Crisis Pregnancy Center of Southwest MS, 647 Delaware Ave, McComb, MS 39648.

Cemetery Details

Bethel Cemetery

Bethel Lane
Hazlehurst, MS 39083

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

West McComb Baptist Church
4016 Hwy 24 West
McComb, MS 39648

Visitation

JAN 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

West McComb Baptist Church
4016 Hwy 24 West
McComb, MS 39648

Funeral Service

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

West McComb Baptist Church
4016 Hwy 24 West
McComb, MS 39648

Burial

JAN 11 (CT)

Bethel Cemetery

Bethel Lane

Hazlehurst, MS 39083

Tribute Wall



“ *Stringer Family Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Rev. Vance Ernest Windom Jr.*



Stringer Family Funeral Service - January 15, 2024 at 05:26 PM

DT

“ *First I would like to say, I am so very sorry Mrs Denise. I just heard tonight (night of visitation) of Bro Vann's passing from Blake. This breaks my heart. I know we don't understand God's plan, but I do know that God is in control. Bro Vann was so very dear to me and my family when we attended West McComb. I remember when you and Bro Vann first came to West McComb and how excited we were as a family to have such a wonderful pastor and his precious family. I remember chaperoning youth trips with him when Blake was young. I remember amazing sermons and him singing with his beautiful wife!. I love you so very much Mrs Denise and I am praying for you and your dear sweet family. 🙏*

Dana Fortenberry Nelson Thornton - January 10, 2024 at 08:56 PM

RM

I have enjoyed Bro. Windoms radio services for quite some time. I did not know him personally. However, I know he was a good man and I'm sure God gave him a "Well Done" when Bro. Van entered the gates of heaven.

Thank you Bro. Van for sharing God with me all those Sunday mornings. To the family, my prayers are with y'all. In Christ.

Ron Mizell - January 11, 2024 at 11:10 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Vance Ernest Windom Jr..*



January 10, 2024 at 04:56 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Vance Ernest Windom Jr..*



January 10, 2024 at 03:15 PM



“ *203 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Stringer Family Funeral Service - January 09, 2024 at 05:23 PM

MA

“ Van was one of my best friends. We graduated together, fished and hunted together. I have many many memories of Van He was always there when u needed him. He married me and Connie. I was also in his and Denise’s wedding. I can still remember the smile on his face that day Denise, Vance , Tyson and Bethany Connie and I love y’all and will be praying for y’all. I will always have the memories and good times we had camping and trotlining on the river and also the turkey hunts we went on. I will see Van again one day in heaven. Until then Brother
Mike and Connie Anderson

Michael Anderson - January 09, 2024 at 12:12 PM

NL

“ Such an amazing man and a kingdom warrior!! He will be missed by so many!!!

Nikki Lynch - January 09, 2024 at 11:50 AM

SB

“ Truly one of the greatest men I have ever known. Brother Van was the most personal pastor I have ever had and a true friend. I ran into him recently in Flowood and it was like we just picked up from yesterday. Heaven is rejoicing on his arrival!! Prayers up for his family and everyone that had the fortune to know him!

Steven Bridwell - January 09, 2024 at 09:24 AM

CP

“ My husband and I joined West McComb Baptist Church in 2017 when we moved to MS, Bro Vann welcomed us so that we felt like we’d been a part of this church for years. Bro Vann was there for us through cancer, death and everyday trials. We absolutely love him and we’ll miss him and be grateful to him forever.

Carol Peters - January 08, 2024 at 09:00 PM

DH

Brother Vann was more than a pastor. He was a friend. I saw him while I was in the ER with my mother who was not yet a member of our church. He asked me why I didn't call him. I told him that I called her pastor. He told me in no uncertain terms that I was to call him any time there was a need in my family. He fixed the faucet in my kitchen for me. He prayed with and counseled my children. He loved people and was the hands and feet of Jesus to all he came in contact with.

Debbie Hodges - January 08, 2024 at 10:03 PM

MT

I moved to MS Aug 2015 and came to WMBC. I felt Bro Vann was preaching the message to me. I felt loved & moved in the church that day. We joined the church; he baptized Samuel (my youngest son). I met my husband, Allen, there. Bro Vann ministered to us and married us June 2017. Oct 2017 I rededicated my life to Christ, and Bro Vann baptized me.

He is more than a preacher. He was a friend, mentor, therapist, & pastor. He has been there for me, my husband, and our families many times for the good/bad/ugly.

I am blessed & honored that the Lord blessed me with him, Mrs Denise, & his family in my life. I will cherish his guidance and leadership that he has poured into me over the last 8+ years.

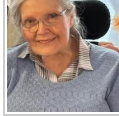
He was a true man of God! Glory be to God that I will see him again one day in Heaven.

Misty Turnage - January 09, 2024 at 05:50 AM

JB

He was truly a servant. He taught me so much over the years about ministry. I will never forget when we were talking over 10 years ago about me becoming children's minister he said "you need two things to start ,love for the Lord and a love for children. You have both. Now pray about this and let's get started." We have gone through many things over the last ten years as a church but he made sure they made us stronger and didn't tear us apart. Love to all the Windom family!!

julie bass - January 09, 2024 at 11:58 AM



I wish there was a humorous situation from Andy or Barney, but I can't. Bro. Vann could have! Thank you, God, I had him preach my funeral service five years ago, and Denise sang "His Eye is on the Sparrow." He said he would say exactly what he would say if it was a real funeral. He stood at the front related that tidbit, and said, "My, don't she look natural?"

I met that country boy, country-talking preacher when he was a high school sophomore desperately in need of an English teacher. Like many of those young men from the country, he didn't see much need to change his way of talking. He was smart enough to make good grades but never quite understood why schools he attended wanted him to work more on his language skills. I confess he made me feel a little embarrassed.

I can truthfully assert his boldness in standing for what is right. I cannot imagine anyone finding fault with his character; Vann Windom was a godly, God-fearing, God-preaching man. The world is a better place because he was in it. He came from a devout family with generations of spiritual virtues; he will be so missed by his parents, sister, and other family members.

But, my dear friend Denise who knew the good, the bad, and the ugly of Vann Windom will praise God and yet be heartbroken, as will Bethany, Tyson, and Vance and their families. I hurt as his loss; I can't begin to imagine their pain mixed with rejoicing. RIP, my preacher.

Dorothy A. Day - January 09, 2024 at 06:02 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Vance Ernest Windom Jr..*



January 08, 2024 at 08:43 PM



“ *I am so sorry Denise for your loss. My best wishes to you and your family.*

Bob Tyson - January 08, 2024 at 04:45 PM

TC

“ I have such great memories of Br. Van. He was at Nola Baptist Church when I was a young. He was a young preacher himself. Me and my sister Melinda loved Br. Van and his wife. They both were great influences in our lives. I'm praying for all y'all . I know how hard it is to lose the ones you love. I lost my husband and mama this past year. I love y'all and y'all are in my heart and prayers. Lovingly Theresa White Crosby



Theresa White Crosby - January 08, 2024 at 09:15 AM



“ John 14.....Much Love ,Many Prayers... Vann Truly Lived and Breathed God's Word and Blessed So Many Hearts...



*Sandra Cliburn
Freddie Cliburn*

Sandra Cliburn - January 08, 2024 at 08:37 AM