



Rev. Edward Emmett Deen

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Rev. Edward Emmett (Ed) Deen age 80 died Tuesday, May 19, 2009, in the University Hospital in Augusta.

A native of Baxley, the Rev. Deen was the son of the late Emmett and Lenora Waters Deen. He was a 1945 graduate of Baxley High School and in 195. He enrolled in Rhinehart Junior College graduating in 1956, then attended Asbury College majoring in English, and graduated with a Bachelor of Art Degree in 1955.

The Rev. Deen then entered Candler School of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta and graduated in 1959 with a Master of Divinity. He was ordained as a Methodist minister in 1956 at his home church, Hopewell United Methodist Church in Baxley. He served in the ministry for 50 years, and pastored Parott United Methodist Church in Parott, Irwinton United Methodist Church in Irwinton, St. Mark United Methodist Church in Douglas, Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Columbus, Lakeland United Methodist Church in Lakeland, Alma United Methodist Church in Alma, Louisville United Methodist Church in Louisville, Waynesboro United Methodist Church in Waynesboro, and Hopewell United Methodist Church in Baxley.



Rev. Deen is survived by his wife Mary Eva Deen, of Louisville; a daughter, Betty Sue Green and her husband Ricky of Bartow; a brother, Paul Deen and his wife, Tillie, of Baxley; two grandchildren, Brandy Green and Michael Green, both of Louisville; also several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The Deen family will receive friends 6 - 8 p.m. Thursday, at the funeral home and on Friday 3 - 4 p.m. at Hopewell United Methodist Church in Baxley. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Friday, May 22, 2009, in the Louisville First United Methodist Church with Dr. James T. Pennell, the Rev. Emory C. Gilbert, and the Rev. V.L. Daughtry officiating. A service will also be held 4 p.m. Friday in the Hopewell United Methodist Church in Baxley, Georgia, with the Rev. Lamar Rabun officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery with the Rev. Jack McCullough officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to any church that the Rev. Deen pastored. You may sign the family's personal guestbook online at www.taylorfhloouisville.com. Taylor Funeral Home 401 West 8th Street, Louisville, was in charge of the arrangements.