



## Reverend Jerry Holman Fielder

April 1, 1936 - August 17, 2023

Jerry Holman Fielder was born April 1, 1936, in Gillham, Arkansas and went to be with Jesus on August 17th, 2023, at the age of 87.

Jerry earned his Bachelor of Arts in Psychology degree from Oklahoma Baptist University in 1958 and went on to obtain a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Southwestern Seminary in 1961. Jerry became a pastor for the first time while still in college at the Zoe Baptist Church outside of Heavner, OK. He went on to pastor at Little City Baptist Church outside of Madill, OK, the First Baptist Church of Stonewall, OK, Trinity Baptist Church in Enid, OK, First Baptist Church of Hominy, OK, Riverview Baptist Church in Bixby, OK, and the First Baptist Church of Springfield, IL. In 1974 he came to Okmulgee, OK to become pastor of the First Baptist Church of Okmulgee and served here until 1978. He was then called to serve as pastor of Southern Hills Baptist Church in Oklahoma City, OK. He was deeply honored and humbled that Fielder Hall bears his name there. He served at Southern Hills for over twenty years and retired from full-time ministry in 1999. Jerry received the Distinguished Alumni Award for Outstanding Alumnus of Oklahoma Baptist University, was past Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Oklahoma Baptist University and was a member of the International Mission Board as well as other places of service in Baptist life.

Although Jerry retired from full-time ministry in 1999, he never actually retired. He continued to work through the Oklahoma Baptist Foundation and Muskogee Baptist Association in Northeastern Oklahoma and accepted at

least thirteen interim pastor positions and never hesitated to supply preach when and wherever needed. At the time of his death, Jerry was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Okmulgee.

While a Senior at OBU, Jerry met Freshman Myrna Brown. They married on December 21, 1958, with this year marking their 65th anniversary together. Known by family as Grammy and Pawpaw, their marriage is truly an example of faith and love with Christ as the center.

Jerry loved being in the pulpit. He faithfully served his Lord and Savior his entire life and preached the good news at every opportunity. He had a genuine love of The Church. He had a never-ending supply of sermon jokes and stories, always told with impeccable timing. He also understood that a great 20-minute sermon was better than any good 45-minute sermon. Jerry had an overwhelming passion and love for his family and friends. He also loved his yearly elk hunt and quiet time in the Colorado Rocky Mountains spent with family and good friends as well as his annual August trip to Red River, New Mexico to take on the trout.

Jerry is preceded in death by his daughter, Sherry Fielder Wise and son, Gregory H. Fielder. Jerry is survived by his wife Myrna of the home in Okmulgee and son Steve of Okmulgee, sisters Martha James and Gayle Fielder of Oklahoma City, grandchildren Jake Fielder and wife Chanel of Edmond, Dr. Brayden Buss and wife Lauren of Okmulgee, Maddy Burd and husband Blake of Ramona, Will Wise and fiancé Phoebe Livesay of Okmulgee, Grant Wise and wife Maddie Rae of Broken Arrow, great grandchildren Wyatt Buss, Fielder Buss and Nora Buss, and son-in law Jim Wise and wife Deidra of Okmulgee.

Memorial contributions in Rev. Fielder's memory may be made to the First Baptist Church of Okmulgee General Fund.

# Cemetery Details

## Okmulgee Cemetery

2601 South Wood Drive  
Okmulgee, OK 74447  
(918) 756-5109

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 21.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Okmulgee  
303 E. 7th Street  
Okmulgee, OK 74447  
(918) 756-1677  
[info@mcclendon-winters.com](mailto:info@mcclendon-winters.com)  
<https://www.mcclendon-winters.com>

## Committal Service

**AUG 22.** 11:00 AM (CT)

Okmulgee Cemetery  
2601 South Wood Drive  
Okmulgee, OK 74447  
(918) 756-5109

## Memorial Service

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AUG **22**. 1:30 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Okmulgee  
311 W. 5th Street  
Okmulgee, OK

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ I remember when they came to Stonewall ok his wife met a was beautiful lady girl pregnant with Steve at the time the whole church just loved them so much they were the best th ever happened to Stonewall he was A magnificent energetic and charismatic litt me stocky built man full of kind and loveed everyone same as his wife and beautiful boys

James Bullard - May 14, 2025 at 10:53 AM

TH

“ I think about Brother Jerry every Easter Sunday. He always talked about how Easter was his favorite holiday before another incredible sermon. I thank God that Jerry was my pastor while I lived in OKC. Truly a remarkable servant of God.

Terry Hamilton - March 31, 2024 at 09:09 AM

LJ

“ Les & JoAnn Johnston lit a candle in memory of Reverend Jerry Holman Fielder



Les & JoAnn Johnston - August 22, 2023 at 05:15 PM

LJ

Our prayers are with you Myrna ❤️

Les and JoAnn - August 22, 2023 at 05:26 PM



“ Bro. Jerry baptized me on Christmas Eve, 1989. The hot water in the baptistry had malfunctioned and he warned me the water would be cold. He hopped into that cold water in his waders and all was well! In his office that day, my mom noticed a photo of a small country church. We were pleasantly surprised to learn that it was the Zoe Baptist Church in LeFlore County and he had grown up in Heavener with her cousins!

*I am forever grateful to have learned about Christ and His love from the best.*

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**Holley Mangham** - August 22, 2023 at 11:06 AM

JW

“ He will always be Bro. Jerry. When I was in my late 20's, Bro Jerry came into Muskogee Baptist Association as a Church strengthener. No one really knew what that was going to mean until they spent some time with him. He was godly, genuine man who loved the Lord. As I started to feel God's call on my life, he prayed for and invested words of life into me. He always called me, Parson, and even nows is my favorite title. I was blessed to know this man who could share the world of God in the largest Church in OKC and the smallest in Oktaha. In Christ Service, Jeff Ward.

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**Jeff Ward** - August 22, 2023 at 08:16 AM

TG

*Jerry married me and my husband in 1975, we have been married for 48 years. Jerry officiated at my Father and Mothers Funeral. Jerry was a wonderful Preacher. Rest in peace Jerry till we all meet again. Jerry, you are a man of God and many will miss you.*

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**Terry Ganus** - September 20, 2023 at 03:46 AM

JM

“ *Such a wonderful person. Worked with him many years. Rest in Heaven my friend.*

Jim McClendon - August 22, 2023 at 05:01 AM

PP

“ *I am sorry that I will be unable to attend the service for Bro. Jerry. I will always be grateful for the times we were able to spend together. There were pastor's conferences and golf outings with Jerry. His personality and good humor was infectious. He was full of wisdom and always had a good story. He was passionate about his faith and his family. Lorie and I offer our thoughts and prayers to Myrna and the family. Heaven has gained a saint and we have lost a good friend.*

Pastor Jim Paslay - August 21, 2023 at 09:51 AM

DM

“ *Rev. Baptised me first in mid-70s mugtown before his re-assignments & my conversion to the catholic faith. Was always kind-even after my hellion ways around the penny bank stone fountain & rugburning pushes from those red carpet stairs. Lol. I stuck around in hs for cya & lunch bunch fellowship pickup games with my Baptist friends I nudged into midnight mass at st. Anthony's. Lol.good times. Prayed when I heard about schoolmate sherry & son. Did a great job with them, sir. Need more like you. God bless, thanks & take care, ya'll. Peace*



David Miller - August 19, 2023 at 02:30 PM

PB

“ *Brother Jerry Fielder was a devoted follower of our Lord Jesus Christ! Over the past 12 years he served as an encourager and mentor to me and many of the pastors in the North Canadian Baptist Association. I will miss his wisdom and caring heart. I thank the Lord for using brother Jerry in my own life! I will miss him and look forward to our glad reunion in heaven around the feet of Jesus!* ”

Phil Barton - August 19, 2023 at 09:50 AM

OW

“ *Orvil & Marilyn Wood lit a candle in memory of Reverend Jerry Holman Fielder* ”



Orvil & Marilyn Wood - August 18, 2023 at 04:29 PM

OW

*Jerry was a very dear friend & preacher to us. We always enjoyed listening to his sermons. We so much enjoyed visiting with HIM & MYRNA. PRAYERS for Myrna, Steve, & Family 🙏🙏*

Orvil & Marilyn Wood - August 18, 2023 at 04:48 PM

BA

“ *I am so sorry to hear this. Jerry was a very Godly man; he loved the Lord with all his heart! I always enjoyed his preaching! Praying for his family and friends' strength, comfort and peace.* ”



Becky Arnold - August 18, 2023 at 12:34 PM

JR

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.. Sincere love and appreciation for the dedication and life of Jerry.*  
*Jerry and Jackie Rippetoe*

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**Jackie Rippetoe** - August 18, 2023 at 11:02 AM

DM

“ *David Miller sent a virtual gift in memory of Reverend Jerry Holman Fielder*



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**David Miller** - August 18, 2023 at 12:14 AM

RC

*In all the years I heard Jerry Feilder preach he never preached a bad sermon. He always had the best jokes and stories. Praying for his family. He will be missed.*

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**Rebecca Thomas Choate** - August 20, 2023 at 10:14 AM

PF

*MARK 4:22 >NOTHING is HIDDEN , EXCEPT to be REVEALED; NOR has ANYTHING BEEN SECRET, but that it would come to LIGHT.*

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**Polly Swinford - Frazier** - September 21, 2023 at 09:53 PM