

Reverend Cecil Raymond "C.R." Franklin

October 31, 1913 - February 21, 2013

Reverend Franklin was born on October 31, 1913 to Fredrick and Mary Lillian (McClary) Franklin at his home East of Henryetta, Oklahoma. He went to his heavenly home on February 21, 2013 at Highland Park Manor Nursing Home in Okmulgee, Oklahoma at the age of 99.

He married Pearlene Roberts in 1940 in Boynton, Oklahoma. They were blessed with two sons: Raymond and Bob Franklin. Pearlene preceded him in death in 1984. In 1987 he married Lucille Lievsay at Morris, Oklahoma where they spent most of their married life.

He began his ministry as an evangelist in his 20's. He pastored churches in Stonewall, Weleetka, Okmulgee, Texanna, Council Hill and Morris. He retired from the Morris Assembly of God in October of 2004. He preached his final service there at the age of 91.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother; sisters, Wilma, Vestal and Mary; and brother Oral. He is survived by his wife, Lucy, of their home at Morris, Oklahoma; two sons, Raymond (LouElla) Franklin of Okmulgee, Oklahoma and Bob (Marilyn) Franklin of Okemah, Oklahoma. He is survived by numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren. He is also survived by one brother, Bill Franklin of Bakersfield, California and sister, Edna Popejoy of Grove, Oklahoma.

Pallbearers will be: Raymond, Jr., Ryan, and Tyler Franklin, John and Eric Seeman, and Dustin Traynor. Honorary pallbearers will be members of Morris Assembly of God Church.

A funeral service will be held at the Morris Assembly of God Church on Tuesday, February 26, 2013 at 1:00 P.M. with Reverend Steve Rose officiating. Interment will follow at the Memorial Park Cemetery in Muskogee, Oklahoma. Friends may view Reverend Franklin at the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home in Okmulgee on Monday from 9:00 A.M.- 8:00 P.M.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery Muskogee

7600 Old Taft Rd.
Muskogee, OK

Previous Events

Viewing

FEB **25**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Okmulgee
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Okmulgee, OK 74447
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<https://www.mcclendon-winters.com>

Funeral Service

FEB **26**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Morris Assembly of God Church
Morris, OK

Tribute Wall



“ McClendon-Winters Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Reverend Cecil Raymond "C.R." Franklin

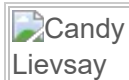


McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - February 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Reverend Cecil Raymond "C.R." Franklin

December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ Thanks to everyone who paid tribute on this wall. I have been reading them to Grandma Lucy. They have touched her heart. :)

Candy Lievsay

Candy Lievsay - February 26, 2013 at 09:29 PM

RK

“ I heard of dear Brother Franklin's home going just today. I have such fond memories of him and Sister Lucy. While he was my Pastor at Morris Assembly of God, he and Sister Lucy showed me and my daughters what unconditional Love looked like. I count myself blessed to have known such a great man of God! My thoughts and prayers are with Sister Lucy and the whole family.

Regina (Gray) Keith

Regina (gray) Keith - February 26, 2013 at 09:17 PM

HM

“ Mr. Franklin was such a joy to us at Highland Park Manor. He will be greatly missed by all the staff and residents. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time.

Highland Park Manor

Highland Park Manor - February 26, 2013 at 04:44 PM



“ My condolences to the family. I was at Rev. Franklin's house lots of times when I used to run around with Raymond and Bobby in Okmulgee. This , of course, was many years ago. He was one of ,if not the nicest men I have ever met. He will be missed by family and friends on this earth but I'm sure he has had a grand and great welcoming to Heaven. Sincerely, John "Vine" Phillips - Broken Arrow, Ok.

John Phillips - February 25, 2013 at 03:57 PM



“ *Brother Franklin made a huge impact on my life. I have never met anyone who lived what they preached more than Brother Franklin. I will never forget the first time I met him, my hair seemed to stand on end because the spirit of God radiated from him so strongly. He will be missed here on earth, but I am sure the angels rejoiced when he finally made it home!*

Randi Mae McCormick

Randi McCormick - February 25, 2013 at 12:55 PM



“ *Jenny Moffeit (Shipman) lit a candle in memory of Reverend Cecil Raymond "C.R." Franklin*



Jenny Moffeit (Shipman) - February 24, 2013 at 05:52 PM



“ *Bro. Franklin had the most precious soul. He was my guiding light from birth to his final breath on this earth. I am truly blessed to have had this wonderful man as my teacher in faith, hope and love. A warrior has gone home. He will be missed by so many. My heart goes out to the family. They are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

TJ Simmons - February 22, 2013 at 03:48 PM

RB

“ *Ralph & Yonda McGuire Bailey lit a candle in memory of Reverend Cecil Raymond "C.R." Franklin*



Ralph & Yonda McGuire Bailey - February 22, 2013 at 01:07 AM

LB

“ *C.R. Franklin was our pastor at the Weleetka Assembly of God Church when my father got saved . I was rather young when he was our pastor, Raymond and Bobby I remember really well as they would pile song books on me when I would fall asleep in church . My mother and Pearlina were very good friends. Brother Franklin has joined the other Angels from the Assembly of God Church of Weleetka. RIP*

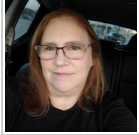
Linda K Burton Blevins daughter of L.P. and Edna Burton

Linda K Burton Blevins - February 21, 2013 at 08:21 PM

NM

“ *C.R. Franklin was the kindest, sweetest spirit i've ever known. A very special human being in every way. Never passed judgement on anyone and radiated love all the time. He (and Lucy) genuinely cared about people. Brother Franklin, as most people in church called him, was strong as an ox. i was always amazed how he continued to do so much manual labor late into his life. My dad loved him so much and visited him not long before his own death in August. May they meet "in that bright land where we'll never grow old".*

Naiya McMurtry - February 21, 2013 at 06:22 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Brother Franklin was the kindest and sweetest man.*



Melanie Lam - February 21, 2013 at 06:03 PM



“ *We were just talking about Franklin and how he helped us build the addition on our house in 1995 or about. Ryan was a little guy and he and Franklin came down everyday to lay the foundation and anything else that needed done. In his 80's He helped Tim faithfully for months on this house and got it finished.. Ive got a lot of wonderful stories from Franklin. He always told Tim to stay busy until the Lord comes. And that's what Franklin did. He always stayed busy.... When I think of Franklin I think of my favorite saying of his.... "Well, Alrighty then.." That meant anything from goodbye to OK!!! He was the most faithful God loving person I have ever met. If we could only have half the devotion and love for God and people he had.. Enjoy Heaven Franklin. Job Well Done..... Well, Alrighty then..... Lou Ann Robinson*

Lou Ann Robinson - February 21, 2013 at 05:54 PM

JS

I know your in The City Where the Lamb is the Light.I'll miss you Brother Franklin. I have known many Pastors in my life,and found that few had been called by God. You were one. You were always a person to look up to, and you were always there when anyone needed you, any time or for anything. I know you'll like your new mansion.

John Seeman - February 23, 2013 at 08:56 PM