



## Rev. Lenwood Francis Shipman

September 5, 1928 - May 25, 2017

Timmonsville, South Carolina

Rev. Lenwood Francis Shipman, 88, of Timmonsville died on Thursday, May 25, 2017 surrounded by his loving family.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 27, 2017 at 3 PM in the Chapel of Kistler Hardee Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 2 until 3 PM on Saturday, May 27, 2017 at the funeral home and other times at the home of his grandson, Cody Fishel, 114 Alabama Drive, Darlington.

Rev. Shipman was born in Whiteville, North Carolina, he was the son of the late William and Margaret Priest Shipman. He worked for Lazy Boy in Florence, was a chaplain at the old Bruce Hospital in Florence and pastored Hannah Manor for many years.

Surviving are his loving wife, Avis Harrelson Shipman; his children, Roger Shipman and wife, Ginger, and Paige S. Guffey and husband, Alan; his grandchildren, Craig Shipman and wife, Farris, Jeff Shipman and wife, Bobbie Lou, Dawn Fishel, Gregory Fishel, Jr. and fiance, Tiffany, Cody Fishel and Cizzy Blackmon; his great grandchildren, Kayce, Becca, Allie Jo, Nathan, Brandon, Ryan, Will, Walker, Ansley, Kynley, Logan, Eryanna, Hayden, Isiah, Mikayla, and Connor; and his great great grandchildren, Cole, Emory Kate.

Rev. Shipman was preceded in death by his parents listed above; and by his twin grandchildren, Jonathan Dale Fishel and Steven Miles Fishel.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at [www.kistlerhardeefuneralhome.com](http://www.kistlerhardeefuneralhome.com)



# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 27. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Kistler-Hardee Funeral Home - Darlington  
315 Pearl St.  
Darlington, SC 29532  
(843) 393-3851  
<https://www.kistlerfuneralhome.com/>

## Service

MAY 27. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

MH

“ *Marilyn Hodge lit a candle in memory of Rev. Lenwood Francis Shipman*



Marilyn Hodge - June 17, 2017 at 09:26 PM

MH

“ *I was so sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Shipman. I remember when he attended Grace Baptist Church several years ago when Pastor Ronald Kelley was there. He was a very humble man with such a sweet spirit. He was called on to pray on several occasions and you feel the spirit as he prayed. He will be greatly missed but, heaven just gained a saint. I will keep the family in my thoughts and prayers.*

Marilyn Hodge - June 17, 2017 at 09:25 PM



“ *Pam McLaurin lit a candle in memory of Rev. Lenwood Francis Shipman*



Pam McLaurin - May 28, 2017 at 09:30 PM

WY

“ *Wilma Gainey Yarborough lit a candle in memory of Rev. Lenwood Francis Shipman*



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**Wilma Gainey Yarborough** - May 27, 2017 at 10:32 PM

LW

“ *Paige, we are do sorry for your loss. We will keep you and your family in our prayers. Lynn and Freddie Woodham*

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**Lynn and Freddie Woodham** - May 27, 2017 at 09:59 AM

GF

“ *Granddaddy you will be missed. As I look up in the sky I know you'll always be up there looking down on me. I love you*



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**Gregory Fishel** - May 26, 2017 at 05:41 PM

SW

“ *Sergeant Ward purchased the Simply Elegant Sp athiphyllum for the family of Rev. Lenwood Francis Shipman.*



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**Sergeant Ward** - May 26, 2017 at 10:36 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Bill Shipman** - May 26, 2017 at 10:12 AM



“ To Roger, Paige and Aunt Avis..my brother and I send our condolences to the entire Shipman family and relatives..I last saw Uncle Pap..in 2013 when I was in Charleston for a Navy reunion...I drove up to Florence to see him and Aunt Avis...unfortunately Aunt Avis was not feeling well..and couldn't make it..we shared a lot of past memories..laughed a lot...and shed a tear as well...the world has lost a wonderful man..he will be missed by all who knew him...

*William and Thomas Shipman*

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**Bill Shipman** - May 26, 2017 at 10:08 AM

KA

“ My great Granddaddy and Mema with their first great great grandson, my son Cole.



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**Kayce** - May 26, 2017 at 09:34 AM

JW

“ Mr. Shipman holds a special place in my heart. He and I were true friends. When we were together, I really took great pleasure in listening to his stories about when he would preach. Francis loved the Lord and enjoyed talking about Him and how He loved us. There is no doubt in my mind that this truly wonderful man is in Heaven this moment. I know that Avis, Paige, and Alan will grieve over their loss, but Francis is where we all want to be one day...with God. I miss him, our conversations, his prayer as we would join hands on every visit before I left. He would always thank God that I was his friend and he would ask God to be with me and protect me. Wow...he made me feel so special. I love Mr. Shipman and what a wonderful feeling knowing that he truly loved me. It was a blessing from God that I came to know him. Best of all...I WILL see him again.

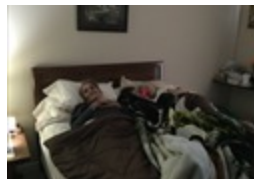
*Sergeant Ward*

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**James K Ward** - May 26, 2017 at 09:21 AM

PA

“ 4 files added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Paige** - May 26, 2017 at 08:54 AM

AG

“ In memory of the man I call "Pop". As my day starts today there is a void now, our day would start by fixing his and Ma's breakfast and make sure he gets his proper meds for the day and there always seem to be a story to tell from the past. Some days a story I have heard many times and some days one I have never heard. There was always a thank you from him for every thing that was done for him. He would ask me what I was doing that day and after my answer he would always say "I wish I could help you, as much as I wanted him to I knew he was no longer able to do that. I remember a day not that long ago ( he was in his early eighty's ) he called me one day to help him string up his butter beans in his garden. I get over there and what this man called a garden was about one and a half acre of land with 47 rows of beans about 250 feet long ! The polls he wanted me to help him put in the ground were landscaping timbers ! So we started and let me tell you he worked circles around this 46 year old man, there I am pouring sweat out of breath and I look at him and he has barely broke a sweat and moving right along with no problem. I think to myself what a tough ole man, they don't make like that any more. I love you Pop and missing you every minute. You will always be a part of who I am and the man I thrive to be. I know you are walking strong with God now and you are watching over all your loved ones. Knowing this makes smile.

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**Alan Guffey** - May 26, 2017 at 08:52 AM

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*Knowing this makes me smile.*

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**Alan Guffey** - May 26, 2017 at 08:57 AM

AG

“ Today at 3:34 am My wife watched as her Daddy slowly passed away to go be with the Lord Jesus Christ. She was there with him every minute of his final days. I would sit and listen to her sing gospel songs to him for hours at the time and every now and then she would stop just to say I Love You Daddy. She was the strongest daughter I have every witnessed as she was saying goodbye to her first love...her Daddy. The love these two shared for each other was greater than anything else. Her heart is now broken because she misses her Daddy so much yet she knows she will walk with him again with his new body and strong legs. As I watched her tell her Daddy that is was ok to go now I could see her heart was tearing to pieces inside but yet still had the strength to say Go Daddy..Go to your Heavenly Home. I know he heard every word she was saying by the expressions on his face. His eyebrows would lift up every time she kissed his forehead even tho his heart was beating slower and his breathing was getting weaker. His last words to her were mumbled but understandable as he said.....I Love You Too. Not too long after that he did indeed go to be with his Lord Jesus Christ. I know I will never witness a good bye as wonderful as that one again. Paige S. Guffey I love you with all my heart but it will never compare to the Love that your Daddy has for you.

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**Alan Guffey** - May 25, 2017 at 06:38 PM

BC

“ Roger and Paige, Daddy was one of the finest men I have ever known. He was a True Soldier of GOD and shared it every opportunity. Always loved to visit him and Aunt Avis as a child and then the years of growing up. Didn't get to visit as often, but when we did it was always filled with laughter and good times. Will certainly miss the sweet smiles and cute expressions and him sharing the Goodness of God. Our love and prayers to all of you and especially Aunt Avis! They shared so many years together! Please know our love and thoughts are with you all. Betty, Wendell and Philip Carter Loris, SC

Betty G Carter - May 25, 2017 at 05:30 PM

RG

“ Randy & Margaret Gulledge lit a candle in memory of Rev. Lenwood Francis Shipman



Randy & Margaret Gulledge - May 25, 2017 at 04:59 PM

PA

“ Paige sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Lenwood Francis Shipman



Paige - May 25, 2017 at 04:56 PM

PA

I love and miss you already daddy 🥺❤️🥺

Paige - May 25, 2017 at 04:57 PM

JC

“ *Judy Calhoun sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Rev. Lenwood Francis Shipman*



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**judy calhoun** - May 25, 2017 at 03:41 PM