



Gerald L. Lawson

May 4, 1936 - January 10, 2019

Gerald Louis (“Jerry”) Lawson, age 82, of Columbus, OH died Thursday, January 10, 2019 at his residence. Born May 4, 1936, in Moorheadville, PA to the late John Lawson and Martha Burdick Lawson, Jerry was a graduate of Harbor Creek High School in Harborcreek, PA. Briefly attending Dallas Theological Seminary, Jerry ultimately graduated from Grove City College in Grove City, PA.

An accomplished, professional calligrapher and veteran of the U.S. Air Force, Jerry’s working career always included Christian ministry, whether as a primary vocation or as a volunteer. For over 60 years, Jerry variously served as a full-time pastor, a youth worker, a Christian radio host, an intercessor and prayer ministry leader, a church elder and trusted adviser to pastors and other ministry leaders. For the last nearly 20 years, Jerry was a member of Cross // Walk Church (a Christian & Missionary Alliance Church).

It was said of Jerry, “We have never seen a man who touched and changed the lives of everyone who knew him the way that Jerry did. From small children to young adults to the most aged of us, we were all the beneficiaries of his love, constant and passionate prayer, gentleness, kindness and encouragement. He was a man led and empowered by the Holy Spirit.” Jerry would tell you that any good that he did was only by the power of the Holy Spirit and for the glory of Jesus. He was “... always giving thanks for all things

in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father.” (Ephesians 5:20, NASB)

Survived by nieces and nephews, he was preceded in death by beloved wife of 48 years, Joan Marie (nee Jaynes), his three sisters and two brothers.

Visitation will be at the Cross // Walk Church (751 Rosehill Road, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068) on Friday, January 18, 2019 from 10am, with the memorial service immediately following at 11am.

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages contributions to the Cross // Walk Church “Life Fund”, which helps defray the cost for teens from Jerry’s church, who wish to attend the Christian & Missionary Alliance national youth convention this coming July 9-13.

Day Funeral Service is honored to serve the family of Mr. Gerald Lawson.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Cross Walk Church
751 Rosehill Road
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

Memorial Service

JAN 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ So much can be said of Jerry, but if I had to sum up what I knew of his life, I would simply say he was a Godly man. His walk with God seemed evident in every conversation and interaction we had with him over the past few years. He had a relationship with God that drew others in. We will miss his wisdom, wit, humor and the joy and peace of his presence, but are delighted that we have the certainty of knowing he has a place set aside for him in Heaven.

*With sympathy for his family,
Jen & Roddy Mayer*

Jen Mayer - January 19, 2019 at 12:02 AM

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“ To MARIA and the Lawson Family,

I just got word of Gerald's passing from his prayer partner Tom and had to write Gerald (and Maria) has been a great friend to the folks here in Israel. His heart that reached out even to those he never met will be surely missed.

May the Lord give you all a extra measure of his confirm during this time.

Stacey in Israel

stacey - January 16, 2019 at 09:18 PM

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“ *Jerry was an ordinary man who lived an extraordinary life, not because of who he was but because of Who He Is. Colossians 2:12 'Having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised up with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.'*

John Ennis - January 16, 2019 at 11:11 AM