



## Pastor Marvin D. Valdois

December 21, 1935 - October 14, 2016

Pastor Marvin D. Valdois, 80, of Kearney, passed away Friday, October 14, 2016 at CHI Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. He completed his assignment and went home to heaven to claim his rewards.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 pm Tuesday, October 18th at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney. Visitation will be from 5-8 pm Monday at the funeral home. Following visitation Mr. Valdois will be cremated and interment of ashes will be at a later date.

Memorials are suggested to The Table Church of Kearney Missions Fund or The Gideons. O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home is serving the family. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com).

Marvin was born on December 21, 1935 in Hutchinson, Kansas to Harry Marvin Valdois and Mable Lucile (Wilhite) Valdois. As a young boy, he accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior. He grew up in Kansas and graduated from Haven High School (Haven, KS) in 1953. Following high school, he attended Hutch JuCo where he ran track in 1953 and 1954.

On August 29, 1954 Marvin married his high school sweetheart, Bonnie Jean Dean. After the birth of daughter, Lucinda Lee in 1956 and son, Michael Dean in 1957, the young couple moved to Arlington, TX to work at New York

Avenue Baptist Church for a year. The time in Texas motivated Marvin to spend three years at Baptist Bible College in Springfield, MO, solidifying his desire to do full time ministry.

He began as Youth Pastor at First Bible Baptist Church in Wichita, KS and following the birth of daughter, Joy Lynnett in 1963, Marvin became pastor at Lincoln Baptist Church in Wichita. In 1969, the family moved back to Haven, KS where he spent the next 16 years doing ministry at Haven Baptist Church.

Following a call to pastor Kearney Baptist Temple in 1985, Marvin began loving and serving people in Kearney. For the last 31 years, in addition to pastoring, he was Chaplain at YRTC from 1991 to 2008, as well as a volunteer Law Enforcement Chaplain for over 25 years.

Marvin loved spending time with his family and friends, as well as serving anyone God brought into his path. He also enjoyed Husker football.

Those left to cherish his memory are: his loving wife of 62 years, Bonnie of Kearney; a son Michael Valdois and wife Denise of Haven, KS; two daughters, Joy Roberts and husband Michael of Thornton, CO, and Cindy Brill and husband Michael Brill of Aurora, NE; 11 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; two brothers, Darrell Valdois and wife Barbra of Haven, KS and David Valdois of Colorado Springs, CO; and a sister, Joyce Smith and husband Bob of Republic, MO.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister-in-law, Judy Valdois and a granddaughter, Alicia Brill.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 17. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pastor Marvin D. Valdois*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *You couldn't find a more kind & generous spirited person than Bro. Marvin. What a blessing he has been to our our family and to our ministry over the past decades. Our prayers for the family in their time of loss.*

**Stone Mountain Dartt** - October 24, 2016 at 09:30 PM



“ *I will always remember his smile and kind words. I have never met anyone who had such a gentle spirit about themselves. He encouraged me many times just by being himself. I am praying for all of you as you go through this transition time. We know he is now with his Lord but at the same time it is hard to let go.*

**Mark Hueftle** - October 20, 2016 at 05:45 PM



“ *I'm so glad I crossed paths with this man of God! Marvin, you will be missed. Enjoy your eternal home in the Lord's Heaven! May the Lord bless His family as they go through this time of grief. Psalm 116:15 "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."*

*Mike Shields*

**Mike Shields** - October 19, 2016 at 10:23 AM

SJ

“ I am saddened by the passing of a Pastor Brother. Evelyn and I did enjoy our times of visit at the church when we were able to attend when we came back to Nebraska to visit. He will be surely missed but joyously received in the presence of God.

Steve and Evelyn Jones - October 19, 2016 at 10:16 AM

MH

“ I will always remember the times I spent getting to know Pastor Valdois at YRTC. He was a great mentor and friend. He always had a smile and such a gentle spirit. Sorry I missed his service, just read the news tonight.

Mark Hueftle - October 18, 2016 at 08:22 PM

GO

“ He was never my Pastor, but was my mother-in laws Pastor. He and Bonnie meant so much to her. She now lives with her daughter but still often talks of him and what a blessing he was to her. She so loved how much he loved the people in the church. He and Bonnie were so kind, always patient and willing to do whatever anyone needed. He will greatly missed by her and all who knew him.

Gwen Oldenettel - October 18, 2016 at 01:05 PM

MW

“ Mary Wright lit a candle in memory of Pastor Marvin D. Valdois



Mary Wright - October 17, 2016 at 06:39 PM

MW

“ *Pastor Valdois was such a positive influence to the young men at YRTC. He always was smiling and had a listening ear as the youth poured out their troubles. He gave them good fatherly common sense advice.*

*Mary Wright*

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**Mary Wright** - October 17, 2016 at 06:38 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pastor Marvin D. Valdois.*



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October 17, 2016 at 03:14 PM



“ *Pastor well served hundreds of YRTC youth. May his memory be eternal.*

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**Tim O'Dea** - October 17, 2016 at 02:21 PM

AS

“ *Aurora Public Schools purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Pastor Marvin D. Valdois.*



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**Aurora Public Schools** - October 17, 2016 at 09:28 AM

YC

“ Your friends at Haven Baptist Church purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Pastor Marvin D. Valdois.



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**Your friends at Haven Baptist Church** - October 16, 2016 at 03:05 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Pastor Marvin D. Valdois.



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October 15, 2016 at 09:33 PM

PA

“ *Pastor Marvin was one of the most influential pastors of Haven Baptist Church, Haven, KS. Pastor Marvin pastored in Haven from March 1971 to August 1985. But has continued to be a friend to HBC through the years. Ms. Bonnie and the Valdois family will be in our prayers.*

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**Pastor Blake Alling** - October 15, 2016 at 09:09 PM

MN

*I remember him from my early married life. He and many husband were friends. Manuel was also from Hutchinson. I know God will give comfort to the family. Mary Nevius*

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**Mary Nevius** - October 17, 2016 at 06:25 PM

PI

*We remember he wanted to finish well! He is getting his well-deserved reward!*

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**Pastor Rob Inge** - October 17, 2016 at 11:55 PM