

# Bethesda Baptist Church

*Union Point, Georgia*



*A Celebration of the Life of*  
**Dr. Bobby Leon Damron**  
November 6, 1941 – March 1, 2016

Thursday, March 10, 2016 – 12:00 p.m.

# In Loving Memory Of



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## Funeral Services at

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Rev. Jim Olds Officiating

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Prelude Della Fowler  
\*Processional Della Fowler  
Welcome Rev. Jim Olds  
Sentences of Scripture Rev. Jim Olds

*Ecclesiastes 3:1-8; John 11:25-26*

Hymn “Holy, Holy, Holy” Congregational  
Opening Prayer Rev. Jim Olds

**Scripture Reading** Psalm 100 (Responsively)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

**Worship the LORD with gladness;  
come into his presence with singing.**

Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and  
we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his  
courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless  
his name.**

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

**Scripture Reading** *Psalm 23* (In Unison)

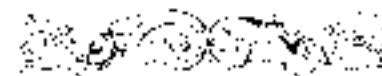
*The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me  
to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still  
waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of  
righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through  
the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou  
art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou  
preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:  
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely  
goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.*

Scripture Reading *John 10:7-11* Rev. Jim Olds  
Message Rev. Jim Olds  
Remarks Mike Miller  
“How Great Thou Art” Congregational  
The Lord’s Prayer Congregational

*Our Father, which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done in earth,  
As it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
The power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever.  
Amen.*

Closing Prayer Rev. Jim Olds  
\*Recessional Della Fowler

\*Please stand



*The family thanks the many friends and relatives who have  
offered their love, prayers and support.*

## Holy, Holy, Holy

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

*Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in power, in love and purity.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.*

## How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy pow'r through-out the universe displayed,

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin;

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
How great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
How great thou art, how great thou art!*

## **Bobby Leon Damron**

Dr. Bobby Leon Damron of Gainesville passed away Tuesday, March 1, 2016 of Multiple Systems Atrophy. He was born November 6, 1941 in Ocala, FL to William Henry and Effie Eugenia Brown Damron, but was raised in Gainesville from birth. Dr. Damron graduated from Gainesville High School class of 1959. He entered the University of Florida in September of 1959, received his bachelor's degree in Vocational Agriculture in 1963, his Masters in December of 1964, and his Doctorate March of 1968. He joined the University of Florida faculty in Poultry Science in the spring of 1968. His appointment in IFAS was primarily for research, teaching and extension. His research was well published in scientific journals. In 2003 he retired as full Professor Emeritus in Animal Science. He was most proud of his service as a reserve deputy sheriff in Alachua County from January 1, 1963 to September 12, 2002. He was on the Alachua County Youth Fair and Livestock board and judged poultry. His most recent honor was being inducted into the Florida 4-H Club Hall of Fame in April of 2015.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Vera Toole Damron, whom he met in the Florida 4-H camping program; daughter, Lena Susanne Damron of Gainesville.

A funeral service was held Sunday, March 6, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at Kanapaha Presbyterian Church, 6221 SW 75th Terrace with Alachua County Sheriff Department Honor Guard. Rev. Dawn M. Conti officiated the service. A viewing was held Sunday, March 6, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at the Church until the hour of the service, as well as one hour after the service. A reception followed the service in the social hall.

A funeral service will be held Thursday, March 10, 2016 at Bethesda Baptist Church, 1560 Bethesda Church Road, Union Point, GA 30669 at 12 noon with Rev. Jim Olds officiating. The family will receive friends at the church from 11:00 a.m. until time for the service. Burial will take place in Bethesda Baptist Church Cemetery. Bobby and Vera were married in this church August 17, 1968. Both Bobby's and Vera's ancestors, dating back to the 1830's worshipped at Bethesda Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to Florida 4-H Club Foundation, 2142 Shealy Drive, Gainesville, FL 32611 or be an Advocate for Better Healthcare for patients and their families. Callaway Funeral Home, 208 N. Rhodes Street, Union Point, GA, (706) 486-4138, is in charge of arrangements. Visit us at [www.mccommonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.mccommonsfuneralhome.com) to sign the online guest register.



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