



## Reverend David D. Allen Jr.

November 3, 2017

Reverend David D. Allen, Jr., 77, of Lancaster, PA, entered heaven to meet his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Friday, November 3, 2017.

Born in Trenton, NJ, on January 29, 1940, to the late Dr. David D. Allen Sr. and Dorothy Smith Allen, David was raised in Royal Oak, MI. At the age of twelve, David surrendered his life to Christ and spent the rest of his life serving Him.

David is survived by his dear wife, Grace, with whom he shared life and ministry for 55 years. God blessed their marriage with four children: David III of Brockport, NY; Donald of Frisco, TX; Douglas, husband of Cynthia, of Fort Worth, TX; and Elizabeth, wife of Bob Muehlbach, of Lancaster. He took great delight in his eight grandchildren: Sophia, Katarina, Molly, Isaac, Maggie, Genevieve, Juliette, and a girl yet unborn.

After graduating from Philadelphia College of Bible (Cairn University) and Dallas Theological Seminary, David pastored churches in Arizona, Michigan, Colorado, and Texas, before coming to Calvary Church of Lancaster, where he served on the pastoral staff for 27 years before retiring in 2015. He also served on the corporation of Lancaster Bible College.

A consummate people person, David relished time with family and friends. He

enjoyed reading and playing the trumpet when not rooting for the Detroit Tigers and Philadelphia Phillies. A lifelong runner, David knew the joy of completing four marathons with his son Doug.

With gratitude, peace, and contentment, David enters his eternal home, where he will be waiting for his family and all those who have trusted Christ as their Savior.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend David's Celebration of Life Memorial Service on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Calvary Church, 1051 Landis Valley Road, Lancaster, PA 17601.

The family will receive friends at The Groffs Family Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc., 528 W. Orange St. (Corner of W. Orange and Pine Streets), Lancaster, PA on Monday, November 6, 2017 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. There will be no receiving of friends at Church on Saturday. Private interment will be held at Mellinger Mennonite Cemetery.

Please omit flowers. Memorial contributions in David's name may be sent to Calvary Missions Fund, 1051 Landis Valley Road, Lancaster, PA.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **6**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc  
528 W Orange St.  
Lancaster, PA 17603  
(717) 394-5300  
admin@thegroffs.com  
<https://thegroffs.com/>

## Memorial Service

NOV **11**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Calvary Church  
1051 Landis Valley Road  
Lancaster, PA 17601

# Tribute Wall



“ *Reverend David D. Allen Jr.*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Pastor Allen was a wonderful pastor who cared for God's children. I had the privilege of sharing the platform with Pastor Allen for the funeral of a dear lady at Calvary Homes. His message was full of hope. Thankful for his example of humility and servanthood in the body of Christ.*

**SharonBenham** - November 11, 2017 at 07:57 AM



“ *I appreciated David's commitment to the unity of the Body of Christ. We became good friends in this context. I enjoyed listening to his preaching on the radio and his frequent emphasis on living and serving by the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit.*

*Keith E. Yoder, Founder, Teaching the Word Ministries*

**Keith Yoder** - November 09, 2017 at 11:58 AM



“ *Dear Grace and Family,  
Thank you for your ministry to Ben and me at Judson Baptist Church. It was an absolute Blessing when David read through the book of Proverbs, reading a chapter each week in the morning worship service. His trumpet always provided an extra Joy to my heart.*

*My Love and Prayers are with you.  
Jo Prichard*

**Jo Prichard** - November 08, 2017 at 05:55 PM

DB

“ Dear Grace and family,  
Our hearts were saddened when we received the news on David's death. I, Dave, was his classmate at PCB and saw his focus on the Lord. In my mind's eye, I can see him practicing with his trumpet in one hand and turning the pages of a newspaper with the other...a true multi-tasker. As students, we served together on evangelism teams conducting street meetings in downtown Philadelphia and singing in the PCB chorale. Though we had sporadically shared on the internet, it was a joy to meet together on our 50th class reunion. I am thankful for his faithful & dedicated service for the Lord. Our hope is not this transient journey here on earth, though we will deeply miss our loved ones. Since Christians never meet for the last time, we look forward to that blessed reunion. May you all find God's grace both sustaining and sufficient as you pass through this vale of tears.  
With love and prayers,  
Chaplain Dave & Jean Bobbey  
Fayetteville, NC



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David Bobbey - November 06, 2017 at 06:41 PM

JC

“ Grace and family,

*Thanks for all the great memories of David and your family. We will always treasure him as he counseled us and married us at Judson Baptist Church in Denver.*

*In addition, David was an excellent communicator of God's Word!*

*May God comfort you in this time of his home going unto the Lord into the mansions of glory!*

*Jim and Carol Christensen  
Lincoln, NE*

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**Jim and Carol Christensen** - November 06, 2017 at 11:31 AM

MS

“ *Our family just adored Pastor Dave. He was the reason we came to Calvary Church. I have wonderful memories through the years, especially from working on staff with Pastor Dave. Such a wonderful, wonderful man. His innocent, infectious humor was amazing, as was his teaching. We will miss him so much, but now he is rejoicing with Jesus, Whom he loved so much.*

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**Michelle Spiegel** - November 06, 2017 at 07:59 AM

KA

“ *Kelly, Tara, Sebastian & Austin purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Reverend David D. Allen Jr..*



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**Kelly, Tara, Sebastian & Austin** - November 05, 2017 at 06:53 PM

LL

“ *Linda Leboon lit a candle in memory of Reverend David D. Allen Jr.*



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**linda leboon** - November 05, 2017 at 05:10 PM

MM

“ *I attended Calvary Baptist of Hazel Park, MI as a teen. We were in the same youth group. David and Grace were sweethearts way back then as we sat under the teachings of his Dad. I know his love for God and I have seen posts of how the people loved him as their pastor. God has called him home.....his work was done. Someday our youth group will be together again. Prayers for the family during this time .....may they all feel the comfort that God gives and a sweet peace knowing they will see David again. <3*

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**Mavis Mead Mebius** - November 05, 2017 at 12:53 PM