



LaVerne Vickery

August 12, 1921 - June 11, 2006

LaVerne Dewey Vickery, 84, slipped from earth June 11, 2006, to be present with the Lord. Funeral services will be held at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 14, 2006 at the First Baptist Church. The Rev. Charles Roberts will officiate with burial in Magnolia Cemetery directed by Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home. The family will receive friends Tuesday from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church, 104 E. Home Ave., Hartsville, SC 29550.

Born in Savannah, GA, August 12, 1921 to Clarice Annelle Bonner and George Dewey Vickery as the eldest of three sons, he would spend his first six years there before the family moved to LaGrange, GA. He spent his school years there and graduated from high school. While "Vick" was working at Callaway Mills, Pearl Harbor was attacked and he enlisted in the Navy January 30, 1942 to answer his country's call, as did many of our "Greatest Generation." He served as a Pharmacist's Mate Second Class at the Naval Hospitals in New Orleans and Trinidad, British West Indies, then on board the USS LST 722 and USS LST 883, seeing duty in Okinawa.

A fellow Navy friend James Marshall thought LaVerne should meet his cousin in Hartsville, Hazel Jeanette Tyner. This introduction turned into the enduring love that would last beyond the 33 years Hazel and "Vick" had together. The Lord blessed their marriage with the joy that only He can give and He held them closely as they lost their 19 year old son, LaVerne, Jr., in a 1969 car accident. Hazel preceded "Vick" in passing in 1978 after a courageous battle

with cancer.

The Lord blessed "Vick" with another season of joy when he married another Godly woman, Ruth Long Hager. Ruth and "Vick" shared a bond in Christ and some happy years before they faced a long battle with illness that would take Ruth home after 23 years of marriage.

A member who loved the First Baptist Church of Hartsville for 60 years, "Vick" served as Youth Sunday School teacher in "Miss Jo" Erwin's Junior Department, sharing his deep love for Christ. He served the Lord as a Big Brother, a Deacon, a lay leader in worship times at Morrell Nursing Home and as a devoted husband and father. He was steadfast in his passion to share the love of Christ with all.

Surviving are "Vick's" daughter, Stephanie, and son-in-law, Oliver Stanley of Hartsville; granddaughters Christy Fitts (Brad) of Omaha, NE, and Catherine Stanley of Hartsville ; grandson Oliver Stanley, Jr. (Jonie) of Jackson, TN; great-grandchildren Alden, Ashley, and Andrew Fitts and Ethan Stanley; nieces and nephews and Ruth's children, Peggy (Chris) Friedman of New Orleans, Jeanne (Tom) Eckert of Roanoke, VA, Bill (Jan) Hager of Athens, GA, and Beth (Richard) Rush of West Grove, PA, and dear friends.

Special appreciation is given for the excellent care given by "Vick's" physician and his team of dedicated care givers.

Previous Events

Service

JUN 14. 4:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church
104 E. Home Ave.
Hartsville, SC

Tribute Wall



“ A wonderful man and father.##imported-begin##Danny Weaver##imported-end##

March 01, 2007 at 06:13 PM



“ Stephannie -
I am so saddened to learn of your dear dad's death. What a dear man that I have so many wonderful memories of and I am glad he touched my life by his love, humor and faith. I am sure Hazel and LaVerne are happy to see him again.
My love and prayers to you and your family in this loss.
Love ya,
Sally T.Johnson##imported-begin##Sally Johnson##imported-end##

June 16, 2006 at 01:52 PM



“ He was a wonderful man. Always ready to shake your hand with a smile. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Stephanie Barrett Moore##imported-end##

June 15, 2006 at 10:13 PM



“ Dear Stephanie, Oliver, and family, Catherine was so kind to tell me of Vick's passing. We share in your loss and remember fondly what a fine Christian man he was. He was always so welcoming and friendly and we truly enjoyed having him a part of our family.

We share in your sorrow and will also rejoice in knowing Vick has joined our Lord in Heaven. God Bless You.##imported-begin##Walter and Paulette Stanley##imported-end##

June 15, 2006 at 01:01 PM



“ Stephanie
I am so sorry to read of your father's death. My prayers and thoughts will be with you now and in your days ahead that God will give you the comfort that only He can.##imported-begin##Bonnie Shaw Edwards##imported-end##

June 14, 2006 at 11:06 AM



“ My prayers are with you in this difficult time. He will be missed greatly. He always greeted everyone with a smile and made my days a little brighter with his kindness. I wish that I could be there to extend my condolences in person. God Bless##imported-begin##Erin Creech##imported-end##

June 14, 2006 at 08:51 AM



I knew his son. Now his father is with him in the Kingdom of God!
Wonderful family. Jimmy Johnson

Jim Johnson - April 17, 2016 at 04:24 PM



“ Stephanie and Catherine, I was saddend to hear of the passing of your dad and grandfather. I was not able to come to the visitation due to sickness, but I wanted to express my condolences. May God bless you and be with you.
Love Ellie###imported-begin##Ellie Jackson###imported-end##

June 14, 2006 at 08:30 AM



“ Stephanie,
Your Dad was a wonderful Christian role model for me beginning with Miss Jo's junior dept.at FBC. I had the privilege of thanking him for his Christian witness and example several years ago. The devotions your Dad and Dr. Krueger did at Morningside meant a great deal to Daddy as well as their friendship of over 50 years. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Oliver, and your family. So sorry I am unable to attend the celebration of Vick's going home. What a blessing his life has been to so many!
With Love,
Becky Sparrow and Luke Sparrow###imported-begin##Becky Sparrow###imported-end##

June 14, 2006 at 07:21 AM



“ Stephanie and family, I am so very sorry to hear about your Dad. I had the opportunity to meet him several years ago. He was always so nice and friendly. I know you have so many memories of him that you will cherish. Always remember that God is with you. Janice (high school classmate)...Deut.31:6###imported-begin##Janice (Brigman) Smith###imported-end##

June 13, 2006 at 08:47 PM



“ JoAnne and I are sorry we can't be with you today, but you are in our thoughts and prayers. we are truly blessed to have parents who showed us how to live and love each other. Mr. Vickery will always be a vital part of our lives.enjoy the blessed moments we have had with your dad.##imported-begin##mike griggs##imported-end##

June 13, 2006 at 03:55 PM



“ Catherine, you know how much your Grandfather meant to me and to my family. He always served as an inspiration to me, especially when Jessica when home to be with our Lord. His many kind words and thoughtful prayers helped us through many dark times and some bright ones as well. I will miss him as will all who knew him. Heaven is a brighter place now that he is home.##imported-begin##Robert Creech##imported-end##

June 13, 2006 at 01:18 PM



“ To the family of Laverne Vickery
my God be with you all. TO the sweet and Godly man i knew as
Guinea, I see the Angels in heaven are flying around you welcoming
you to your new home .Guinea I wanted to think you for all the
Prayers you shared with me.i will Dearly M iss you. Guinea you
where so lucky man to have such a Loving and Caring Daughter to
take care of you on your last few days here on earth.Now she can
rest in piece knowing that her father is in a beautiful place in
Heaven,I will never forget the time that i was cleaning for Staphine,
and you decided to take and afternoon walk and you almost made it
in the house but got tired and fell at the front door,I know it was God
that brought me there to help you up safely and help you in the
house,My You Rest In Peace Now Sweet Guinea.

Love and prayers

sharon,chris and boys##imported-begin##sharon kelly##imported-
end##

June 13, 2006 at 12:06 PM



“ Stephanie, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your father. I did
not realize he had been friends with my husband's parents before
they passed. He was such a good friend to them. My prayers are
with you and your family.##imported-begin##Gina
Easterling##imported-end##

June 13, 2006 at 08:28 AM



“ Mr. "Vick" was truly one of the finest people I have even known. I will miss him. He was the 1st friend I made when my wife and I moved to Hartsville.

Our thoughts & prayers go out to the family. My God Bless You.##imported-begin##Scott & Brenda Ferguson Sophie & Lily##imported-end##

June 12, 2006 at 03:59 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of Vick's family during this time of grief. He was a wonderful example of the life of a true Believer. It was an honor to have known him and served the Lord with him in the Prayer Room and at Lincoln Village when I was a member of First Baptist Church. I will miss his presence here on earth, but what a glorious homecoming he must have had! In Christ,

Rachel##imported-begin##Rachel Doyle Medlin##imported-end##

June 12, 2006 at 02:56 PM



“ My prayers are with you all. I am happy he has gone to be with our Lord. I will miss him. He was so faithful in visiting my Mama when she was fighting cancer and he ministered to all of us. We asked him to speak at Mama's funeral. He did a warm touching job.##imported-begin##Becky Walker##imported-end##

June 12, 2006 at 02:05 PM