



## Dr. Stacy Davidson

December 6, 2016

Dr. L Stacy Davidson, Jr., passed away and went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Tuesday, December 6, 2016, at his home in Oxford, MS, surrounded by his family.

Dr. Davidson was born in Pope, MS, on December 19, 1932. He graduated as valedictorian of his Pope High School class. Dr. Davidson went on to attend the University of Mississippi where he graduated with honors. While attending the University of Mississippi Medical School, he met the love of his life, Fay Spruill. They went on to share a rich marriage of 58 years. Dr. Davidson completed his medicine internship at Baylor School of Medicine in Houston, TX. He then served his country as a captain in the US Army Medical Corps before serving his community as a general practitioner for 5 years in Cleveland, MS. Deciding to further his medical education, Dr. Davidson proceeded to complete residency training in ophthalmology at Tulane University. He practiced medicine a total of 52 years. A passionate supporter of education, Dr. Davidson served on the MS Institutes of Higher Learning Board of Trustees for 12 years. Various other honors include: Ole Miss Alumni Hall of Fame, UMMC Guardian Society member, Ole Miss Chancellor's Trust, Cleveland High School and Delta State University teams' doctor for 14 years, Delta Medical Society member, MS and American Medical Associations member, Diplomat of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, Regional Board of Directors of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, local Boy Scouts of

America leader.

Dr. Davidson was a longtime member of First United Methodist Church in Cleveland, where he taught Sunday School and was a senior member of the Methodist Men's Club. He was also honored as Charity Ball King for the Junior Auxiliary of Cleveland. An avid sports fan, hunter, and gardener, Dr. Davidson enjoyed sharing his produce with family and friends. He also delighted in lovingly doting on his grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his son, Friley Spruill Davidson; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Stacy Davidson, Sr., of Batesville, MS; and a nephew, Darryl Davidson. He is survived by his wife, Fay Spruill Davidson; his son, John Stacy, and daughter-in-law, Laurie; a brother, Dr. Gene Davidson, and sister-in-law, Diane, of Tallahassee, FL.

He also leaves four grandchildren: Brantley and wife Katie, Samuel, Caroline, and Andrew; and three nephews.

Visitation will be at Coleman Funeral Home in Oxford on Thursday, December 8, 2016, from 4 to 7 p.m. A second visitation will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday, December 9, at Paris-Yates Chapel on the University of Mississippi campus, with a memorial service at 11 a.m. A private interment will be at Belzoni Cemetery in Belzoni, MS.

Dr. Davidson was a true southern gentleman who loved the Ole Miss Rebels, his patients, and people in general. Above all, he loved his family well. His was a life of service.

The Davidsons would like to thank the nurses and caregivers from Camellia Hospice of Oxford. Memorial donations in Dr. Davidson's name may be given to the MS Children's Cancer Center at Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children.

Online condolences may be left on the tribute wall of this website.

# Cemetery Details

## Belzoni Cemetery

Belzoni, MS 39038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 8. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford  
601 Commerce Parkway  
Oxford, MS 38655  
(662) 234-3900  
info@colemanfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.colemanfuneralhome.com/>

## Visitation

DEC 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Paris-Yates Chapel  
Chapel Lane  
University, MS 38677

## Memorial Service

DEC 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

Paris-Yates Chapel  
Chapel Lane  
University, MS 38677



# Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Tribute Video in memory of Dr. Stacy Davidson



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**Coleman Funeral Home** - December 07, 2016 at 05:24 PM

LJ

*Wonderful Southern Gentleman and a great Doctor! Dr Davidson will be greatly missed by everyone!*

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**Linda B Jones** - December 08, 2016 at 12:42 PM



Andrew Hood

*We wanted to send our prayers and condolences to Mrs. Fay, Stacy, and family during this season. May God comfort you all and surround you with His love, love of family, and friends. Pete Hood and family.*

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**Andrew Hood** - December 09, 2016 at 12:00 PM

PW

*Fay, all of you are in our thoughts and prayers. We loved Stacy! He truly was a great man.*

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**Pat and Paul Warrington** - December 09, 2016 at 05:57 PM

SB

“ While I didn't know Dr. Davidson personally, he was my eye doctor off and on for many years, beginning when I was a child. He was always such a kind gentleman!

*I was also a classmate and friend of Friley's; we graduated from CHS the same year. I like to think that they are having a wonderful reunion now! I send my love, prayers, and condolences to his family.*

*Sandi Phillips Benjamin*

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**Sandi Benjamin** - December 13, 2016 at 07:21 AM



“ Fay, So sorry to hear about Stacy. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. May God surround you with His Love, peace and comfort.

*Becky Brock*

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**Becky Brock** - December 10, 2016 at 10:27 AM

BS

“ Sorry to learn of Sonny's death. Sad to realize that I no longer will see him at Ole Miss events. I will always cherish his friendship. Noted a message from Blake and Zay; tell them that I said "hi" when you talk to them.

*Banks "Sonny" and Mary Ann (Murphree) Shepherd*

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**Banks Shepherd** - December 10, 2016 at 09:52 AM

BG

“ *What a great friend to have while at Ole Miss. He certainly was special to me! He always had a hug and a big smile for you!!!! My heart rejoices knowing that he is in the presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!*

*Betty Banks Guess*

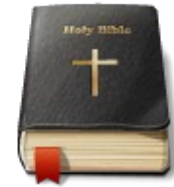
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**Betty Guess** - December 09, 2016 at 05:14 PM

HP

“ *To My Dearest Fay and the Davidson Family,*

*We are so very sorry to hear of the great loss of your beloved Sonny. Our love, prayers, and deepest sympathies are with you all.*



*Snookie and Nick Pena  
Belzoni and Houston, Texas*

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**Hermine Pena** - December 09, 2016 at 03:45 PM

BH

“ *Fay, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers...Love  
Blake and Zay*

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**Blake and Zay S Higdon** - December 09, 2016 at 11:27 AM

EC

“ *Dr. Davidson was central to several of the Institutions of Higher Learning events I covered as a reporter. He was always the consummate gentleman.*

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**Errol Castens** - December 09, 2016 at 11:21 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dr. Stacy Davidson .*



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December 09, 2016 at 11:08 AM



“ *We have many great memories of Stacy and Fay beginning with the fun bus trips we took with them to football games. As we would run into one another through the years at Ole Miss events, Stacy and Fay always greeted us with warm hugs. What a lovely couple. Fay, we can't even imagine the loss you are feeling. Our hearts are with you and your family through this difficult time and the days to come. Hugs from Ken and Debbie Glenn*

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**Debbie Glenn** - December 09, 2016 at 06:11 AM



“ *I am sorry for your loss. Dr. Davidson was a good man and a fine doctor. I had good eyes, but Dr. Davidson helped me through two eye injuries in my youth. He was such a respected man. Darryl E. Daves*

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**darryl e daves** - December 08, 2016 at 08:20 PM



“ *Fay, I remember how you loved Stacy back when we were at Mississippi College living in Senior Dorm. I'm glad you had so many great years with him. You have my sympathy and prayers at this time. Julia Riley Pittman Reece*

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**Julia Riley Pittman Reece** - December 08, 2016 at 07:52 PM

WP

“ I have too many precious memories of Ole Miss 'a own Dr Davidson to even start listing! But we shall miss him so much ! Wanda Poole

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**Wanda Poole** - December 08, 2016 at 06:58 PM

ES

“ I knew Dr. Davidson as a young coach at Cleveland. He was always so supporting to all the people around him. Sometimes when you meet a person you know instantly that he is a good person. Dr. Davidson was one of those people. My condolences to the family.

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**Eddy Sorey** - December 08, 2016 at 03:35 PM

EW

“ Dear Mrs. Davison,  
I just learned of Dr. Davidson's death. I know you are in extreme pain. I am so sorry. It was an honor to know him. He was such a lovely and kind man. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. I know Friley is glad to welcome him to Heaven.

Much love and sympathy,  
Liz Bowman Woolverton

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**Elizabeth Bowman Woolverton** - December 08, 2016 at 03:34 PM

JH

“ Dr. Davidson was the best landlord & farming partner ever. He was caring, loving & always interested in people & their families. God broke the mold when he created Stacy. We have missed seeing him the last several but we will never forget him. May the Lord comfort his family is our prayer. & welcome Stacy with open arms. Ray & Judi Hausner & family

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**Judi Hausner** - December 08, 2016 at 03:31 PM

BM

“ Dr. Davidson was my optometrist for many years in Cleveland. He was so kind when my daughter was born with deficient vision and he did all that he could to help her. I will never forget Dr. Davidson and his sweet wife, Fay. He certainly lived his family. I was honored to have known him.

Betty Mayo

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**Betty Mayo** - December 08, 2016 at 03:09 PM

TP

“ Such a great man. Tom and I loved spending time with this lovely family. Wonderful memories in Cleveland. He will be missed by so many.

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**Tom and Faye Pace** - December 08, 2016 at 02:12 PM

LJ

“ Wonderful Southern Gentleman and a great Doctor! I enjoyed working with Dr Davidson for many years at BMC, and he will be greatly missed. My condolences to all the Davidson family!

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**Linda B Jones** - December 08, 2016 at 01:54 PM

FP

“ Most favorite doctor ever. Delivered 2 of my children an named one after him even tho she's a girl. Even after becoming an eye doctor when I would see him he asked about Stacy. She's 52 years old now. How many doctors would do that?? Dr. Stacy was a wonderful caring person that will be missed by many.

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**Faye parham** - December 08, 2016 at 01:22 PM

TB

“ *The Buckley family is stunned to hear about Dr. Stacy. He was as stalwart a fiend my parents could have had. I have fond memories of high school years going over to visit Dr Stacy's office which was just next to my Dad's pharmacy.*

*Now Stacy and Dad can discuss a little fishin' and how to save Rebel football.*

*I send my sincere condolences to Fay and the family.*



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**Ted Buckley** - December 08, 2016 at 01:08 PM

JC

“ *So sorry to hear about Stacy. Y'all have been good friends through the years. My condolences to you, Fay, and the family. Jackie deMange Cole*

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**Jackie deMange Cole** - December 08, 2016 at 10:06 AM

WF

“ *The Davidson Family,*

*We are saddened with loss of Stacy. I know he is with my dad trying to figure out the Rebel football season. We will miss him greatly. All our thoughts and prayers are with all you. God bless.*

*Woody, Page & Merry Alston Farris*

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**Woody Farris** - December 08, 2016 at 10:03 AM

JB

“ Fay,  
Great memories of Sonny though our school years at Pope. Sorry  
about your loss.

Love, Janelle A. Baker

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**Janelle Baker** - December 08, 2016 at 10:01 AM

BM

“ Ms Fay,  
i treasure the memories of good times and sweet moments with you  
both and am so sorry for your loss of this great man.  
Know that i am thinking of you and love you.

Always,  
Bill May

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**bill maly** - December 08, 2016 at 09:44 AM

PR

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Fay and their family. It was a  
privilege to get to know Stacy through the years he served on the  
IHL. He was a kind and gentle man with a heart for service and love  
of others. He will be missed by many.

Pam and Doug Rouse

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**Pam Rouse** - December 08, 2016 at 08:49 AM

BD

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Dr. Davidson, Stacy! Such a  
sweet man and a great eye doctor! Love to Fay and the family!

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**Beth Ducrest** - December 08, 2016 at 08:43 AM

DM

“ A great man is one who makes you always feel better about yourself. A person who elevates others. Dr. Davidson was a great man!... I did not meet him until about 6 years ago and never knew all the wonderful accolades about him until now. Mississippi lost a true giant. I like to say Dr. Davidson was a "gentleman and a gentle man!".... So sorry for your loss Ms Fay.

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**David McCullough** - December 08, 2016 at 08:06 AM

DC

“ Thinking of you and your family, Renee, Tyler and I are very sorry for your loss.  
May God bless all.

*Dennis Coleman*

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**dennis coleman** - December 08, 2016 at 07:35 AM

PL

“ Miss Fay and Stacy, I am so sorry to hear about Dr. Davidson. He was such a wonderful man and will be greatly missed. My prayers are with you and Stacy during this time. I loved keeping "my boys" ! I have 5 grands and 2 great grands and they still keep me busy in my retirement years! Love and prayers to a special family. Pat Crocker Lewis.

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**Pat Crocker Lewis** - December 07, 2016 at 11:35 PM



“ 47 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Coleman Funeral Home** - December 07, 2016 at 04:58 PM