



Rev. Robert E. England, Sr.

June 30, 1941 - August 20, 2019

Rev. Robert E. England, Sr., 78, of Fortville, Indiana, was welcomed home by his Heavenly Father, early in the morning hours of Tuesday, August 20, 2019 following a lengthy battle with cancer.

He was born on June 30, 1941 near Bedford, Pennsylvania, a son of the late John and Maxine (Price) England.

Bob was raised in Salem, Ohio, where he graduated from high school in 1959. He earned a Bachelor of Theology in 1963 from God's Bible School & College in Cincinnati, Ohio. Bob married the love of his life, Marilyn Hofacker, on July 6, 1963 and together they served in pastoral ministry for 21 years at five churches in Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Dr. England had a passion for higher education, serving as Administrator and Professor of Bible and Theology for 43 years at Allegheny Wesleyan College, God's Bible School & College, and Union Bible College. He completed a Master of Arts in 1984 and a Master of Divinity in 1992, both from Cincinnati Bible Seminary, and earned his Doctor of Ministry through Nazarene Theological Seminary in Kansas City, MO, in 2002.

A noted speaker, Rev. England served as an evangelist for camps and revivals in at least 29 states and seven foreign countries. He also owned and

operated a nursery and landscaping business for 20 years. He enjoyed collecting books and reading, thrifting, yard work, and landscaping. Rev. England's lasting legacy will be the passion he poured into thousands of young people. He taught them the importance of piety and prayer.

Those left to cherish Bob's memory include his loving wife of 56 years, Marilyn England, five children, Joanna (Brent) Pears of Stoneboro, PA, Becky (Dan) Ellis of Fairmont, WV, Daniel (Ronda) England of Fishers, Robert (Rachel) England, Jr. of Jonestown, PA, and Kristin (Mark) Foster of Noblesville; 17 grandchildren, Anne (Pears) Fish, Sarah Pears, Lee Pears, Brock Pears, John Pears, Joey Ellis, Jenna Ellis, Jacob Ellis, Corey England, Cassie England, Cade England, Josiah England, Isaac England, Hannah England, Simeon England, Graham Foster, and Caroline Foster and a brother, J. Clyde England of Salem, OH.

In addition to his parents, Bob was preceded in death by a brother, Gerald England.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am Saturday, August 31, 2019 at Salem Wesleyan Methodist Church, 1095 New Garden Road, Salem, Ohio, with Pastor Stanley Grabill and Dr. Leonard Sankey officiating. Burial will follow in Franklin Square Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 4 - 8 pm Thursday, August 29, 2019 at Sproles Family Funeral Home in New Castle, Indiana, and from 4 - 8 pm Friday, August 30, 2019 at Salem Wesleyan Methodist Church.

You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of Robert E.

England, Sr.

Cemetery Details

Franklin Square Cemetery

37034 Salem Grange Rd
Salem, OH 44460

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **29**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Sproles Family Funeral Home
2400 S Memorial Dr
New Castle, IN 47362
(765) 521-2400
toms@sprolesfamilycares.com
<https://www.sprolesfamilycares.com/>

Visitation

AUG **30**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Salem Wesleyan Methodist Church
1095 New Garden Road
Salem, OH 44460

Service

AUG **31**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Salem Wesleyan Methodist Church
1095 New Garden Road
Salem, OH 44460

Tribute Wall



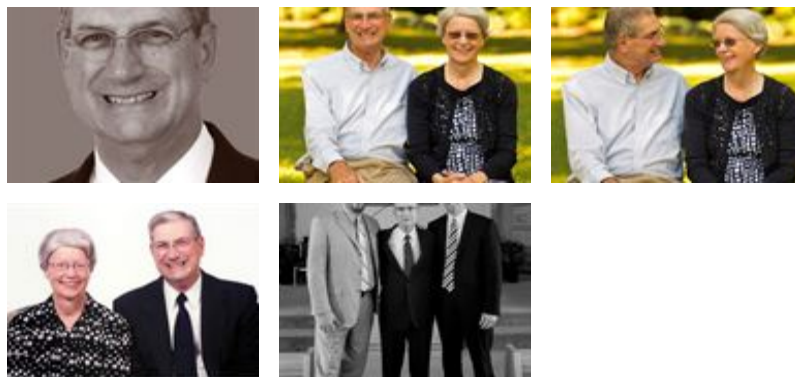
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Sproles Family Funeral Home - August 29, 2019 at 04:38 PM



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Sproles Family Funeral Home - August 29, 2019 at 02:08 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes* was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..



August 28, 2019 at 04:40 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..



August 28, 2019 at 02:54 PM



“ *God's Bible School & College Board of Trustees* purchased the *A New Sunrise Spray* for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..



God's Bible School & College Board of Trustees - August 28, 2019 at 01:37 PM



“ *Staff & Faculty of God's Bible School & College* purchased the *Ocean Breeze Spray* for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..



Staff & Faculty of God's Bible School & College - August 28, 2019 at 01:32 PM

BH

“ *Loved Brother England as a person and teacher. Some of the most important lessons I learned from him were not in the classroom. Godly man, great example, full of mercy and grace.*

- Bob Hoffmann

Bob Hoffmann - August 28, 2019 at 12:49 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..*



August 28, 2019 at 09:04 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..*



August 27, 2019 at 10:39 PM

WO

“ *Wesleyan Evangelistic Church (Dayton, Ohio) purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..*



Wesleyan Evangelistic Church (Dayton, Ohio) - August 27, 2019 at 07:49 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..



August 27, 2019 at 04:13 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..



August 27, 2019 at 04:09 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..



August 26, 2019 at 10:04 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..



August 26, 2019 at 07:15 PM

LW

“ *Larry & Barbara Wieserman purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..*



Larry & Barbara Wieserman - August 26, 2019 at 01:40 PM

LW

“ *Larry & Barbara Wieserman purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..*



Larry & Barbara Wieserman - August 26, 2019 at 08:19 AM

WS

“ *With condolences and love, Steve and Beth Stetler purchased the Summer's Light Bouquet for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..*



With condolences and love, Steve and Beth Stetler - August 24, 2019 at 03:55 PM

LW

“ *Because we do not have the internet in our home, we came to the library to express our sincere sympathy to Sister England and her family. We grieve with the England family at the loss of their loved one who was our cherished friend.*

We want the entire world to know that Dr. Robert England had a tremendous, inspirational influence on our lives. He was our precious friend; and we absolutely loved him. No one will ever be able to replace him in our hearts.

From the time that we heard Dr. England speak at Stoneboro Camp and observed his leadership as President of the Allegheny Wesleyan College, we knew that he was an extremely talented servant of God. As a distinguished administrator and professor, he promoted academic excellence. Throughout his life, he remained a devoted scholar, setting a superb example for both students and ministers.

The Allegheny Wesleyan Methodist Connection has truly lost one of its very best. Dr. England was unequalled in so many ways. His life epitomized the highest standards of Holiness. His impeccable personal appearance, his professionalism, his integrity, and his notable work ethic were unsurpassed. With his “servant’s heart,” he glorified God by dedicating his life to helping others.

We have been extremely blessed to share a close relationship with Brother England. As we continue our earthly journey, we aspire to be more like him. With his passing, there is now a void that cannot be filled.

Larry & Barbara Wieserman

Larry and Barbara Wieserman - August 24, 2019 at 10:08 AM

IC

“ *Dr. England was a true friend! I appreciated his words of wisdom and his evangelistic ministry I was able to sit under. My thoughts and prayers are with the family as they go through this difficult time!*

Isaac Clark - August 22, 2019 at 04:35 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..*



August 22, 2019 at 10:56 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..*



August 21, 2019 at 11:01 PM



“ *Bro. England had a Christ-like spirit; never a cross word. His Christ-like legacy can be witnessed in the lives of his children, and in all those Dr. England touched...which are many. Our prayers are now with his wife and his family. But, our thoughts cannot help but provoke our anticipation...that, one Fine Day, by God's grace, we shall be reunited with Bro. England. Truly blessed are those who die in the Lord.*

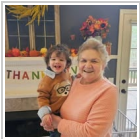
Darin Gary - August 21, 2019 at 06:12 PM

DD

“ Bob and I grew up together in Salem and spent many occasions traveling to camp meetings and store-front missions both near and far in his wheels, which I recall was a '55 Ford with a stick tranny. With Bob at the wheel, every shift of the transmission made little difference as we settled right back into 'granny gear' and plodded on. But we always arrived safe and sound. And now he is not 'gone', he is simply 'gone on'; and he has surely arrived--safe and sound. I'll meet you in the morning.

Dennis Dean

Dennis Dean - August 21, 2019 at 11:42 AM



“ I recently visited the church, of my sister, where the England's pastored. What a gracious, Godly man and wife team. We had a great service that night, and I so enjoyed worshiping with them there, and even some fellowship afterwards. I will miss seeing them again, when I return to Dayton.

Sandra Perkins - August 21, 2019 at 10:11 AM

GE

“ Our prayers are with your family. Bro England was our Spiritual Hero! He help us in so many ways and we are so grateful to have had him as a friend and Godly leader. 🙏❤️

Gayle Eisenhart - August 21, 2019 at 09:45 AM

JP

“ The InterChurch Holiness Convention joins holiness people everywhere in giving praise to God for a life well lived. Thank you, Robert England, for the straight path you have marked to the City! Our prayers for Sister England and family.

James Plank - August 21, 2019 at 09:37 AM

JB

“ *Oh Doctor England, your teaching will be sorely missed, but heaven had certainly grown sweeter this week. I would love to sit in on one more systematic theology class!*

Joseph Ball - August 21, 2019 at 09:01 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Robert E. England, Sr..*



August 21, 2019 at 08:42 AM

TJ

“ *Dear England Family,*

Words just can't express what our hearts are feeling this Tuesday evening! We are saddened at your loss, but oh, so happy your loved one has made the crossing! What a soldier of the cross! What a shining example of a stalwart Christian! What a heritage of holiness he left his loved ones! He has fought a good fight and kept the faith--he has gained the crown of life!!! We are keeping you in our thoughts, our hearts, and our prayers! May God's peace, comfort, and strength be with you now and in the coming days! We love each of you!

Larry and Trisha Jewett

Trisha Jewett - August 20, 2019 at 11:57 PM

JB

“ *A spiritual giant. He has touched many lives through his teaching, preaching, and praying.*

Jeremy Baker - August 20, 2019 at 11:37 PM

MP

“ *I met the England family at GBS in the early 80's and they have been dear friends ever since. Robert England was a very kind and sincere man who loved his family, his God and his theology. I would often beg him to come to the gym and show us young guys how they used to play basketball back in the day. He was an excellent athlete but his love was teaching Gods word. Thanks Bro. England for your excellent example of holiness and deep sincerity. You will be missed!*

Mark Potter - August 20, 2019 at 10:00 PM

JE

“ *I love you all and I hope that Grandpa would be proud of us*

Joey Ellis - August 20, 2019 at 09:53 PM

TG

“ *Dr. England was a dear friend, and a tremendous example to our family. We had numerous visits, and we always came away greatly encouraged by his upbeat testimony for the way of holiness. We are praying for Sister England and the family, that God will grant them the grace to trust Him, and to look to the future with great hope.*

-Terry D, and Ella Ruth Going

Terry D. Going - August 20, 2019 at 08:21 PM

TA

“ I have fond memories of the England family from when I was a student at Gods Bible School. I sat in Bro. England's classes and I knew he had a compassion for Christ and also for his students. When I heard that he had left this world for his Heavenly home my thought immediately was that "Another saint has safely made the landing". I know his loved ones hurt but they wouldn't call him back if it was even possible. He is at Jesus feet with other saints that have have impacted my life for good over the years. To mention a few S.I. Emery. J. Clyde Flueling, R. G. Flexon, Lesile Wilcox, J, W, Adcock, Kenneth Stetler, Edward and Connie Palm and many other saints that were lay people that I am confident are safely in Heaven. I admonish all to stay true to God, never let down, keep pressing forward. That is what each of these people have invested their lives in us for. They pointed us to a loving, forgiving Savior. To his family, I am praying for God to be very close and bless each of you with comfort that only comes from himself.

Teresa A.Robinson- Anderson,In - August 20, 2019 at 08:20 PM