



Deacon Archie Shepherd

October 2, 1938 - March 31, 2025

Home Going Service for Deacon Archie Shepherd, of Covington, GA, will be Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 11 a.m. at Springfield Baptist Church, 1877 Iris Drive SE, Conyers, GA, Dr. Eric W. Lee, Senior Pastor.

Deacon Archie Shepherd will lie in state at 10 a.m. Interment, Lawnwood Memorial Park, Covington, GA. Deacon Shepherd's visitation will be Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at Grace United Methodist Church, 3145 Washington Street SW, Covington, GA from 12 noon to 8 p.m. Young-Levett Funeral Home, COVINGTON CHAPEL, (770) 786-2944.

Tribute Wall

SF

“ Sending condolences from The Sarah Grier Franklin Minor family. May God keep you in perfect peace.



Susan Franklin - April 14, 2025 at 02:50 PM

DA

“ Great Man, Great Supporter of all, Godly Man - Prayers to the family for comfort during this time. Rev. Willie and Angela Davis

Davis - April 09, 2025 at 09:29 AM

DH

“ Sending my sincere condolences to Bobbie and family in the loss of this stalwart community leader! He was a lifelong friend and mentor. The world was better because he lived!! Thankful for all the memories! #NAACP



Debbie Hillman - April 09, 2025 at 07:04 AM

RB

“ Rose Brown lit a candle in memory of Deacon Archie Shepherd



Rose Brown - April 08, 2025 at 08:31 AM

VM

“ Vickie Shepherd Maddox lit a candle in memory of Deacon Archie Shepherd



Vickie Shepherd Maddox - April 07, 2025 at 07:24 PM

MG

“ Why didn't my post show up on here???

I
Sent it...

It was very good for the people! 🙄🙄

Minister Elizabeth Partridge- Godfrey - April 05, 2025 at 05:08 PM

MG

It's
Minister Elizabeth Partridge- Godfrey.

Thanks!

Note: It's two last names with a dash.

Minister Elizabeth Partridge- Godfrey - April 05, 2025 at 05:11 PM

MP

Deacon Archie Shepherd' was a stalwart as a top leader in Newton County & abroad. Mr Shepherd was a key & top Leader for the Youth Summer Feeding & Enrichment Program, held each summer at the historic Bethlehem Baptist Church in Covington, Georgia, where I served as the very First Organizational & Director. As I had this ground breaking duties as the Director, Mr Shepherd made sure to let me know ahead of this 10 long week

program, at the time, He was willing to still be a driver of our kids, which often we had about 200 Of Community Kids/ Day. Those were the days for this magnificent Program. Mr Shepherd's dedication was Second to none. Sadie Shepherd was equally as dedicated to the Program, too. Bobbie Shepherd stood by Mr Shepherd, too. When Mr. Shepherds was our Key driver, we really didn't have any major problems. He made sure the kids were orderly when he drove the bus. Rest in Peace!

*From:
Minister Elizabeth
Partridge-Godfrey*

Minister Elizabeth Partridge-Godfrey - April 12, 2025 at 03:49 AM

JC

“ *Judy, Tracy, & Salena, City of Covington purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Deacon Archie Shepherd.*



Judy, Tracy, & Salena, City of Covington - April 04, 2025 at 02:43 PM

JC

“ *Judy, Tracy, & Salena, City of Covington planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Deacon Archie Shepherd.*

Judy, Tracy, & Salena, City of Covington - April 04, 2025 at 02:43 PM

AB

“ *Ann Marks Bargie sent a virtual gift in memory of Deacon Archie Shepherd*



Ann Marks Bargie - April 04, 2025 at 12:56 PM

CN

“ *Cynthia Nolley lit a candle in memory of Deacon Archie Shepherd*



Cynthia Nolley - April 04, 2025 at 11:50 AM

SD

“ *Condolences to the family. Archie was such a kind and gentle man. I am sure he is in Glory now!*

Sarah L. Dauby - April 02, 2025 at 11:11 PM

SC

“ *Rest Praise Mr. Shepherd*



Sherry Clark - April 02, 2025 at 07:54 PM



“ *REST WELL DEAR FRIEND.*”



Kathy Patterson - April 02, 2025 at 04:10 PM

EG

Deacon Archie Shepherd was a great and dedicated man. If he promised you something, he would do it. Deacon Shepherd was a staple to the notable Youth Summer Feeding & Enrichment Program at Bethlehem Baptist Church, of Covington Georgia. Deacon Shepherd was so supportive of it, & spearheaded the Bus Ministry after Dr Grier Godfrey, in the early 1980's. Some people took the credit for this program's initiation, but they didn't actually do the work to claim this work & Ministry, just solely. It caused me to woe in my Spirit to read it. But the true Founder of it all is God. I was the FIRST Executive Director for 4 different times, which spread over 20+ years. Those trying years were worth it, because God remains our Center. It was not any big I's & little you's. Since God led us, we served over 2,000 lunches for both underprivileged kids, as well as kids who could pay. With the anointing of God, no child had to pay anything. It was 10 weeks. Deacon Shepherd stayed with us regardless, long after Dr Grier Godfrey had resigned as Bus Coordinator. Deacon Shepherd got me to write his History for the book of Newton County Historical Society, years ago. The Newton County Historical Society didn't credit me for writing it, but I enjoyed doing it for him & put it in proper structure! I will miss Deacon Shepherd. I think of his nobility & how he faithfully drove Bethlehem's Baptist Church's Van with joy & pride. He loved the kids & it's too numerous of kids to count, to help children get a decent meal each day, at Bethlehem Baptist of Covington, Georgia. According to history, our church is the very First of its kind in Newton County' & nearby counties. We had such vast Support, to include: The 4-H club, Fire Dept., Sheriff's Dept, First Presbyterian Church, First United, Grace UMC, St Paul Methodist, Clowns, Storytelling, Church of the Nazarene, Pastor Clara Lett, Pastor Annette Nash, Pastor Theodis Bell, Rev Dr Billy Wade, Rev Asa Floyd, Zelma Stuart, Mr. Stuart, & so, many more. We were so tired, but because of God's anointing, We yearned for more! Deacon Shepherd never missed a day. If he did, he got a substitute driver. We love you Deacon Shepherd. God has you now!

*- Minister Elizabeth Partridge-Godfrey
Member of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Covington Georgia!
Executive Director of Youth Summer Feeding Program
1981-1986, 1994-1997, 1999-2000, 2000-2003!
Also, an
Associate Pastor for Summer Feeding, etc.. 2010-2013!
(Estimated dates).*

From: My Children, Grandchildren, & The Partridge Family,

Elizabeth Partridge- Godfrey - April 05, 2025 at 04:42 PM

EG

The above post is to be from:

*Minister Elizabeth Partridge- Godfrey!
My maiden name is to be written with Godfrey.*

Thanks!

Elizabeth Partridge- Godfrey - April 05, 2025 at 04:45 PM

CC

*May God's grace and mercy comfort you Bobbie and other members of the family during your time of sorrow. For we know that his absence from here is his presence with the Lord. May God continue to walk with you and let His presence be known and felt in your life. Be blessed.
Mike & Carolyn*

Carolyn Coleman - April 09, 2025 at 08:37 PM