



Herschel Leonard Crain

July 8, 1942 - October 20, 2023

Greer, SC – Rev. Herschel Leonard Crain, of Greer, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on October 20, 2023 at 81 years of age. Herschel was the son of the late Merritt and Edna Fender Crain and the loving husband of 54 years to the late Evelyn B. Crain.

Herschel was the oldest of nine children and grew to be a very Godly man. He had a heart that yearned to be like Christ. Herschel let the Lord speak through him, not only in his ministries, but also in his daily life. He served as Sr. Pastor at Apalache Baptist Church in Greer for 16 years and he served as Sr. Pastor at Central Baptist Church in Cowpens for 18 years; however, his ministry was not limited by church walls. Herschel spread the Good News of his Lord and Savior far and wide. He will be remembered as a loving and supportive father and papa, who enjoyed spending time outdoors and working in his yard. In fact, he held the “Yard of the Month” title consecutively for many years!

Herschel leaves behind a tremendous legacy and will be missed by many.

He is survived by his daughters, Connie Mullinax (Charlie) and Tina Bagwell (Heath); his brothers, Edward Crain (Joyce), and Keith Crain; his sisters, Ginger Cox (David), Maxine Loop and Shelia Davis (Donnie); four grandchildren, Herschel Travis Dixon (Janessa), M. Zachary Dixon (Hayley), Cady Savannah Reigel (Jordan) and AJ Bagwell (Maddie); two great grandchildren, Denver Reigel and Fields Bagwell; as well as many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his wife and parents, he is preceded in death by his sisters, Ann

Sanders, MaryLou Leffler, Reva Luther, and Diane Welchel.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, October 29, 2023 at Apalache Baptist Church; 1915 Gap Creek Road Greer, SC 29651 from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM with services beginning at 2:30 PM. Pastors Brad Atkins, Keith Crowe, and Travis Dixon will officiate. Interment will immediately follow at Milford Baptist Church; 1282 Milford Church Road Greer, SC 29651.

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

OCT **22**. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Apalache Baptist Church
1915 Gap Creek Rd
Greer, SC 29651

Celebration of Life

OCT **29**. 2:30 PM (ET)

Apalache Baptist Church
1915 Gap Creek Rd
Greer, SC 29651

Interment

OCT **29**. 3:30 PM (ET)

Milford Baptist Church
1282 Milford Church Rd.
Greer, SC 29651

Tribute Wall

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“ As a child, I grew up in Apalache Baptist Church - the old church - during the tenure of Rev Hubert Finley, who was a wonderful man and minster. Shortly after Preacher Finley was forced to retire, I moved away from Apalache, and found another church. But I always hear wonderful things about Preacher Crain, and I want to send my deepest sympathy to his entire family. I just learned of Preacher Crain's passing. Rogers - Former Member.

Gary Rogers - March 29, 2024 at 02:31 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Herschel Leonard Crain.



October 28, 2023 at 11:09 AM



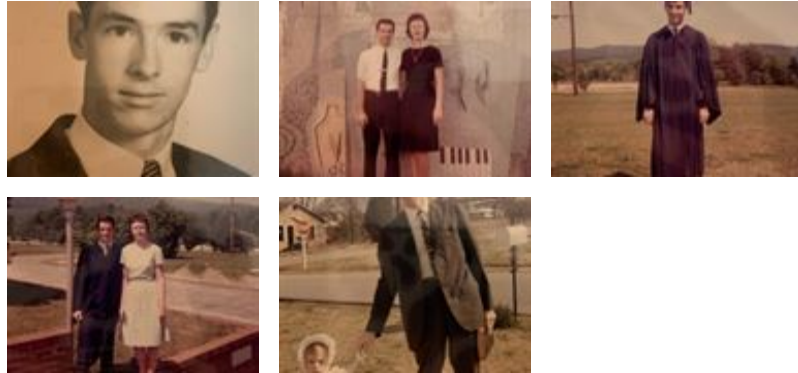
“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Herschel Leonard Crain.



October 27, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ 54 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Living Waters Funeral Home & Crematory - October 26, 2023 at 02:19 PM



“ *Judy & George Todd purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Herschel Leonard Crain.*



Judy & George Todd - October 26, 2023 at 11:56 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Herschel Leonard Crain.*



October 26, 2023 at 11:16 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Herschel Leonard Crain.*



October 25, 2023 at 01:46 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Herschel Leonard Crain.*



October 25, 2023 at 01:16 PM



“ *He was a True General of the Faith. I always loved hearing him preach when he would be in revival at my home church where I grew up.*



Michael Anthony - October 24, 2023 at 05:33 PM



“ *With love, Stan Sanders planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Herschel Leonard Crain.*

With love, Stan Sanders - October 23, 2023 at 05:45 PM

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“ With love, Stan Sanders purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Herschel Leonard Crain.



With love, Stan Sanders - October 23, 2023 at 05:45 PM

BW

“ I am a former resident of cowpens sc and went to school at cowpens high. I am extending my deepest sympathy for your loss of rev Crain. B Joyce washington

B Joyce washington - October 23, 2023 at 04:16 PM

MC

“ Rev Crain was our pastor at Cowpens Central Baptist for decades. Our family dearly loved Him and his precious family. Praying still for them.

Margaret Champion - October 23, 2023 at 03:19 PM