



Rev. Winford Fay Conley

October 17, 1934 - September 3, 2016

Rev. Winford Fay Conley, 81, of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, went to his heavenly home Saturday, September 3, 2016, to his Eternal Lord and Savior.

Winford was born the son of Earnest and Mazie (Harkness) Conley on October 17, 1934, in Burlison, TN. He was raised on the family cotton farm, and like most farmers' children Winford learned the meaning of a hard day's work, picking cotton. Winford found the Lord as a young child and began preaching by the age of 15. He attended the Ft. Scott Bible School and finished his high school education. During this time he was introduced to a young lady by the name of Beulah Spohn by her uncle W.L. Gates, a man Winford respected. They were united in marriage on May 16, 1954, and travelled by train on their honeymoon and that evening went to a church and Winford was asked to preach and thus he did. He not only preached but Beulah played the piano and she sang a special, and thus on the evening of their honeymoon their ministry truly began.

They ministered in the Church of God (Holiness) and spent more than 42 years in that ministry together. Over the years they faithfully pastored churches, including Salina, OK, Riverview and Hazel Green, MO, Memphis, TN, and Neosho, MO. Not only was Winford in the ministry, but he was a carpenter and beekeeper. At one point, he cared for more than 100 hives, averaging in a good year 4,000 pounds of honey. He helped launch and was

President of the Neosho, MO, Bee Association for several years. He had an uncanny understanding with his bees and didn't need to wear a bee suit when working with the hives.

Once retired, Winford and Beulah continued to fill in at various churches, revivals and camp meetings including pastoring and traveling to Pittsburg, KS, on the weekends to help out a church there for a couple of years. They loved to work in the garden and canning the vegetables they grew. Winford had a grape arbor and fruit trees, and he enjoyed picking berries and pecans. His hobby was rabbit hunting with his beagle dogs. He also enjoyed fishing and even made his own fish nets. He was a faithful and devoted husband and a wonderful provider for his family. He served as a light unto this world in his own quiet and gentle way and he will be missed by his family and all that knew him.

Winford is survived by "His Beautiful Wife" Beulah; four children, Dewayne Conley and Deana of Dewey, Charlotte Conley Smith and Frank of Loveland, OH, Brenda Conley of West Chester, OH, and Gary Conley and Tricia of De Soto, KS; five siblings, Herbert Conley and Helen, Billy Conley, Franklin Conley and Joyce, Myrtice Stringfellow and Mildred Marbry, all of Tennessee; seven grandchildren, Heidi Hendricks and Bronc, Marci Rovenstine and Aaron, Alanna Ryder and Lucas, Andrew Smith, Janette Fahlgren and Josh, Amanda Conley and Cory Conley; and six great grandchildren, Tyler, Conner, T.J., Sawyer, Logan and Easton. He is preceded in death by his parents, one brother, James Conley, and a sister, Lorene, who died at 2 years old.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Kansas City Christian College (formally Kansas City College and Bible School), 7401 Metcalf, Overland Park, KS 66204.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6, at the

Bartlesville First Church of the Nazarene. Interment will follow at the Ball Cemetery, Nowata County. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home, Dewey, OK. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared with Winford's family at www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Ball Cemetery

N 419 RD
Nowata County, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 5. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S Osage Ave
Dewey, OK 74029
(918) 534-3030
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Service

SEP 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Church of the Nazarene
3650 SE Adams Blvd.
Bartlesville, OK 74006
<http://www.bfcnaz.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rev. Winford Fay Conley*



Davis Family Funeral Home - September 05, 2016 at 04:03 PM

JL

“ *Jayla Williams, LPN lit a candle in memory of Rev. Winford Fay Conley*



Jayla Williams, LPN - September 07, 2016 at 03:19 AM

CB

Brenda dearest. Our prayers and love to you and your family .Woody is in hospital in Orlando . Also needs prayers. Was 94 9/3/16

claire & woody brackenrich - September 09, 2016 at 09:00 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Winford Fay Conley.*



September 06, 2016 at 11:56 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Rev. Winford Fay Conley.*



September 06, 2016 at 11:06 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rev. Winford Fay Conley.*



September 06, 2016 at 09:26 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Winford Fay Conley.*



September 06, 2016 at 07:57 AM



“ *We are sorry to hear of the death of Bro. Conley. We enjoyed them coming and helping at the Granby Holiness Church in Granby, MO for several years. We are praying for the Sis. Conley and the rest of the family that God will be a comforter at this time. Kerry and Sandra Stanbery*

Sandra Stanbery - September 05, 2016 at 05:55 PM

BC

“ *Diane and I and my sister (Lisa) will not be able to attend Uncle Winford's funeral, To the family of Winford Conley, please accept our condolences. Bobby Conley*

Bobby Conley - September 05, 2016 at 05:05 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Rev. Winford Fay Conley.*



September 05, 2016 at 04:57 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. Winford Fay Conley.*



September 05, 2016 at 04:08 PM

HR

“ *We are sorry for your loss and you will be in our prayers. I'm sure my Daddy was in the welcoming committee :)
We loved to stop by their house in Joplin for some honey !!
Howard & Pamela Robinson*

Howard Robinson - September 05, 2016 at 01:52 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Winford Fay Conley.*



September 05, 2016 at 01:25 PM



“ *So sorry for your families loss I always cherished the memories I made with him what a godly kind gentleman. I will be praying for your family as you walk through this challenging time.*

Wendy Gallegos - September 05, 2016 at 12:01 PM



“ *Uncle Winfred you will be so missed. I miss hearing those sermons that I've heard since childhood. To Aunt Beluah an all my cousins my heart and prayers go out to each of you. With all my love Donna Stringfellow Pannell*



Donna Stringfellow Pannell - September 05, 2016 at 09:55 AM



“ *Donna Stringfellow Pannell lit a candle in memory of Rev. Winford Fay Conley*



Donna Stringfellow Pannell - September 05, 2016 at 09:41 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rev. Winford Fay Conley.*



September 05, 2016 at 09:25 AM



“ *When they added on to Grandma Spohn's trailer house Uncle Winford told Gary and I if we worked hard he would take us fishing. Don't know how hard Gary and I worked but Uncle Winford took us fishing! Great time. He will be missed!!!! Roger*

Roger Bartley - September 05, 2016 at 01:17 AM