



Allen Hammond

June 10, 1930 - October 7, 2011

Bluefield, WV- Allen A. Hammond, 81, of 131 Blue Spruce Lane Bluefield, WV passed from time into eternity October 7, 2011. He was born in Chicago, Illinois on June 10, 1930 to Ardell A. Hammond and Margerite Hammond. He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 60 years Mary Jane Hammond, his parents, three bothers, a sister and granddaughter Jessica. He is survived by brothers Richard and Bill, sisters Delores and Maxine, children Charles, Craig, Peggy, David, Timothy, Joel, and Faith. He is also survived by 16 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Allen Hammond was the executive director of the Bluefield Union Mission for 24 years. He served as pastor to three churches, founding one of them in Illinois, and interim pastor to numerous Bluefield area churches. Allen was a graduate of Thornton Township High School, the Moody Bible Institute, and Evangelical Bible Seminary. He was awarded Distinguished Citizen of the Year by American Legion Riley-Vest Post #9, Outstanding Citizen of the Year by the West Virginia Association of Social Workers, and a Honorary Doctor of Humanities Degree by Bluefield State College. He was also the Senior Member of the Bluefield Ministerial Association. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force serving from 1948 to 1952. He served on the boards of Teen Challenge, Tazewell House, Bluefield Union Mission, and the West Virginia Alliance for the Mentally Ill. He served as Chaplain of the Pastoral Care Department at Bluefield Regional Medical Center and Riley-Vest Post #9 of the American Legion. A family memorial service will take place on a later date. Memorial

gifts, if desired, may be made to the Bluefield Union Mission, 2203 Bluefield Avenue, Bluefield, WV 24701 or to the Mercer County Humane Society. Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting www.MercerFuneralHome.com Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Dr. Allen A. Hammond.

Tribute Wall



“ *Allen Hammond*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy goes out to the entire Hammond Family. Our loss is certainly heaven's gain. Allen has always been such an inspiration to me and my family. You could always count on peace and comfort when he spoke and prayed with you. The community has certainly lost one of the finest Christian men I have met. What a blessing and honor to have known Allen. God's peace be with you during this difficult time.*

Mary Anne Musser - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM



“ *Dear Hammond family, We were so sorry to hear of Allen's leaving us, but we know he is so happy now in the presence of Jesus, his Lord and Savior. He served His Lord well and will be rewarded greatly. We have lost a true brother in Christ, but we thank God for all the wonderful memories we have of him. Curt loved working with him and knowing him as a true friend. Allen and Mary set an example for all of us as they served the people of SW VA and WV. And we are glad that his family is carrying on the good work. May you all know God's special presence and comfort during your losses. We have been blessed to know your family.*

Curtis and Joan Murray - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

SD

“ I'm so sorry for the loss of your father, supporter and friend. What a wonderful person Allen was. You are so blessed to have had a father that loved you so much and set a Godly example throughout your life and for the community. Even through trying times he never waived from his beliefs, love and trust of the Lord. He now is with your mom in a place of perfection. As Christians we look forward to being with Allen again-----for eternity.

Sharon Davis - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

SS

“ To The Hammond Family, We are truly saddened by your loss. How honored we are to have know such a great man. Dr. Hammond served our community with grace and kindness. He stood with us and prayed with us, leaving a peace and strength greatly needed. We pray for each of you now. In friendship we are. GOD Bless.

Steve & Alice Ann Kammer Sarver - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

AS

“ Dear Hammond Family, My deepest condolences on the passing of Dr. Hammond. Although I never knew him personally, I know the tremendous impact he had on this community and its surrounding areas. A special note to Chuck and Debbie: In my six years with Catholic Charities in McDowell County, it was always a pleasure to consult with you. Your wise and very practical Christian approach to serving the people there will always have my highest respect. May the Lord continue to lead you in whatever path He chooses for you, and may you and your family find comfort and peace in the knowledge that your father (and you) touched so many lives in so many ways.

Annette Shumate - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

DC

“ To all fo the Hammond family: May the peace of Christ comfort your broken hearts. I am so sorry for your profound losses, and am asking our merciful Lord, to touch you and heal you as only He can do. My thoughts and prayers are with you!

Denise Campbell - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

CB

“ Dear Craig, Chuck, Joel, Peggy, Daivd, Tim, Faith and Family, We were so sorry to hear of Allen's passing. He was always a joy to be around. His faith and sharing of it will always be in our memories. A beautiful Christian and certainly a friend. Please accept our deepest condolences, and may you all find peace in knowing that he is with his Lord and Savior and his beloved wife Mary Jane enjoying the fruits of his labors. Charlie and Mary

Charlie and Mary Bell - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

CM

“ Bluefield will never lose a better man than Dr Hammond I will miss his visit at the hospital this Wednesday. I will make a contribution to the U nion Mission in honor of Dr Hammond and his grand daughter "Jessie" Danny Pruett

Charles Danny Pruett M.D. - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

CS

“ Dear Hammond Family, You know better than anyone else that we have lost a giant in the faith. Allen was that strong, steady, faithful voice proclaiming God's word every day. His service to God, Family, Country, and Community will never be forgotten. May you be blessed as you carry on his great work through the Bluefield Union Mission. Love & prayers, Charlotte & Charlie

Charlie & Charlotte Sacre - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

TL

“ I pray that I can find the words to convey the special bond that we developed after the passing of his beloved wife and the solace we found in our long conversations. Faith and I once spoke of it, but I do not think that she understood the solace he gave to me. She thanked me for being there for her father; when he was always there for me. Not as a coworker, but spiritually as two who had suffered the loss of a spouse and didn't quite know how to go on. I will cherish those long conversations after work. He was at such a loss after beloved wife died and didn't know how to spend his time. He wanted to make breakfast for her and take care of her. He missed the part of his life that was her and was at such a loss without her. I know that he is with her now and that is where he longed to be.....beside her as he always was. His foot prints will always be in my heart....I can still hear his reassuring voice and my heart is breaking, but I know he is where he wants to be.....where his heart has always wanted to be. I shall miss you Dr. Hammond more than you'll ever know as tears fall down my face, I know that they glisten with hope. Remember, you taught me that as we held hands,prayed, and cried together.

Tara Chea Russo Lockwood - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

SR

“ Where do I begin. My heart just broke when I heard about Jessie. She always tugged at my heart. She was a beautiful young lady. I will truly miss seeing her beautiful smile and her hug she always had for me. Dr, Hammond meant so much to us. He always told me I was like another daughter to him, and I felt that. We met him 34years ago and was priveleged to have him marry us. He will always have a place in my heart cause we also loved him. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you guys.

Shirley and Rusty - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

GF

“ Dear Faith, Joel, Craig, Chuck, Peggy, and Tim, We are so grief stricken with all that you have had to face this past week. Dr. Hammond was truly a servant of the Lord and I know his Heavenly home outshines the sun. Any time I saw your dad it was in Wal-Mart and he always took time to talk and ask how the family was. Please know that we love you, that our thoughts and prayers are with you and we are here for you whenever you need us.

Gayle Hicks Mastrandrea and Family - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

B3

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Dr. Hammond was a wonderful person, and he will truly be missed. Lots of love and prayers to all of the family. May God keep you in his arms.

Betsy - RN - 3South - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

RA

“ Dear Craig, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Your dad was such an inspiration to me, as well as many others in our community and will be greatly missed. May God comfort and strengthen you and your family in your loss. You are in our prayers. In Christ, Steve Aker

Rev. Steve Aker - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

JR

“ My prayers go out to you and your family over the loss of your Dad and my Uncle Allen. He was a wonderful man, a very good man. He and your Mom were always so good to our family. They faithfully gave their lives serving the God they love. My life has been blessed because of them. They have fought the good fight, they have finished the race, they have kept the faith. I am sure they have heard the words "well done good and faithful servant" Mt. 25:21. Praying for Gods comfort for all of you during this difficult time.

Jackie (Koovalles) Raymann - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

JF

“ Dr. Hammond was a wonderful man I remember on time I was in BRMC ER department and he was making his rounds an giving out warm blankets to any one who wanted one and i know he was a busy man but to talk to him it seemed that he made you feel that he had all of the time in the world and you were the only one in the room he will be missed my thoughts and prayers are with his family we all know that he is with his Lord and rejoice in that

Jerry W. Frazier - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

DT

“ Dear Dr.Hammond, You fought the good fight Friend. You finished the course, and Now you are Home. I am sure if you could return, you would not. Enjoy your reunion Friend with your wife, Jessie, and Jesus. Know dr. Hammond That I will never forget the positive influence you had on my personal and professional lives. Your inspiration was so spread abroad so many comunnities, sects of people, and cultures yet you stood in the gap for so many with your services to the Lord. I Love you like a father, and I will never forget the blessing you have been to my life for many years. With all my Love, Friendship, and Appreciation, DoryTory

Dolores Torres - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

DT

“ *Dr. Hammond was such a wonderful man. We at Bluefield Regional had a person that anytime would come to the need of a family member. Be it a patient or an employee. He was there for me. I pray for his beloved family at this time and to look to our Lord to guide them through this time. He is an inspiration to many and God has received one wonderful angel. May the Lord bless and keep you.*

Diana Thompson - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

BL

“ *Dr. Hammond, I will miss you. I will miss your calming spirit in our hospital, your prayers for patients, families. Did you know how much it meant when you prayed for the nurses, to guide our hands to help those that depend on us? Hammond family, he was loved and respected by so many and his passing has left a great void, not only for you, but for the community. My prayers are for you, Dr. Hammond is with his Heavenly Father, whom he served with all his might. He is resting now, happy, healthy . Dr. Hammond, I hope Heaven has Zucchini Bread, I know how much you loved it.*

Betty Frazier, LPN - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

TM

“ *I'm sending hugs out to all of my Hammond cousins. I'm so sorry for the loss of Uncle Allen. He was an incredible man and I cherished every visit that I had with him. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. Joel, you hold a very special place in my heart. My heart is aching for you. Blessings to all.*

Tricia Morones - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

RA

“ To a wonderful family, I have been blessed to serve our Lord Jesus, and the Bluefield community along side Allen on many occasions. He was a great example for all of us, and he was faithful to the end; may he truly know the joy of hearing the saviors voice saying, "Well done." I am praying for you. Raymond Amos

Raymond amos - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

GG

“ FAMILY ,GENE AND I ARE SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS OF YOUR DAD. YOU MUST BE SO PROUD OF HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS HERE ON EARTH, BUT MOST OF ALL WHAT A TESTAMONY HE GAVE TO THE REST OF US ON THIS EARTH. WE TRULY LOVED HIM AND RESPECTED HIM. ANYTIME WE SAW HIM OUT HE SEEMED SO GLAD TO SEE US AND WE KNEW HE TRULY CARED ABOUT US AND OUR LIVES. I KNOW YOU WILL MISS HIM AS WILL SO MANY OTHERS. LOVE GENE AND ELLEN

GENE AND ELLEN GOINS - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

LL

“ : : : Tears as i cry, God Bless u all...

Leann Lawson - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

DL

“ I am so sorry for ur such great lost,of mr hammond,then i read about Jessie,tears really fill my eyes,as i truly talk to the Lord,they were beautiful ppl,they were so beautiful to this earth,now they both r beautiful in heaven,they was surely robed in white of beautiful light surrounding them,mr hammond loved my son,Ronny,who was on a walker from cerebal palsy,he and Craig was at my sister and her little babies funeral where they died a tragic death,i am so heart broken to read this,I love u all,U have been so good to me,it hurts your hearts,i know the loss,for i lost my family,days apart also,but plz feel Gods arms holding u up,when u r trembling and want to fall apart,he is holding u together,with strength,God bless u all,i feel ur pain,ive been there,Love from Dreama Mckenziee Lawson,and Ronny Lee Allen my son,715 Tazewell Ave,Bluefield Va..276 245 5689,if u need someone to ever sit n understand and also cry with u,call or text me,Love Peace,sweet Grace..Amen

Dreama Lawson - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

SM

“ Craig and family, I am so sorry for the lose of both Rev, Hammond and Jessi. They both will be sadly miss. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sadness. God Bless.

Susan Honaker, Magistrate - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

JF

“ Dear Chuck, Craig, Joel, David, Tim, Faith and Peggy. I am so sorry to hear of your father's passing. As you well know he was a great man. He is now home with his Savior and Lord Jesus Christ and your beloved mother Mrs. Hammond. He was a great inspiration to this community that he loved so dearly. He is holding the hand of Jessie on their journey to heaven. Our prayers and thoughts are with you in this hour of need. May the lord comfort you in his loving arms. Sincerely, God be with you. Joe Turner & Family

Joe Turner & Family - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM