



Rev. Hank James Freelen

August 20, 1956 - January 27, 2021

Hank James Freelen, 64, faithful servant of Jesus Christ, was welcomed to his eternal life on Wednesday afternoon, January 27, 2021 following a month-long illness.

Visitation: 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, February 1, 2021 at DeSoto First Church.

Funeral Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at First Church of Dallas. Burial will follow at Grand Prairie Memorial Gardens.

Hank James Freelen was born on August 20, 1956, the 8th of 10 children born to the late Tiny John Freelen and the late Mary Elizabeth Dotson Freelen in Lamar County, near Paris, Texas. He felt the calling of God into the ministry at a young age, fulfilling a life-time commitment to God.

He became an ordained minister in the United Pentecostal Church, still maintaining his credentials until the time of his death. His calling would lead him to become an evangelist before serving as pastor to congregations in Corsicana, Haltom City and finally DeSoto.

After the decline in health and in dealing with heart disease, he was elevated to the position of Bishop, still enjoying his time teaching and preaching when called upon. The congregation and entire organization will miss his leadership, with and friendship.

Coming from a small town inspired him to see as many places as possible. He loved traveling, always anxious for a trip to Galveston or California. He relished any opportunity to visit large cities. He was an avid collector of guns and knives, and always looking for a bargain on new ones. A game of dominoes was always entertaining

He is survived by his wife of forty-one years, Sandra Gail Martin Freelen; daughters, Rachael Nicole Holley and her husband, Rev. Ryan, Courtney Rose Freelen and her husband Timothy; grandchildren, Jaxon, Judah and Paxton Holley; brothers, Virgil Freelen and his wife DeeDee. Tiny Freelen and Sissy and many friends and extended family.

Cemetery Details

Grand Prairie Memorial Gardens

3501 S. Belt Line Rd.
Grand Prairie, TX 75052
(972) 237-3001

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 1. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

DeSoto First Church UPC
120 Northgate
DeSoto, TX 75115

Funeral Service

FEB 2. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Dallas First Church
6506 W. Illinois Ave.
Dallas, TX 75211

Graveside Service

FEB 2. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

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3501 S. Belt Line Rd.
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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Hank James Freelen.*



February 01, 2021 at 07:02 PM



“ *73 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Guerrero - Dean Funeral Home - February 01, 2021 at 04:58 PM



“ *My love and prayers are sent with the families....Bro Freelen was a kind and gentle man...he liked to cut up also....met him and sister Freelen back in 1978. Precious memories forever....love and prayers, Sis Robbie, Jamie and Julie Rainwater*

Robbie - February 01, 2021 at 04:44 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Rev. Hank James Freelen.*



February 01, 2021 at 04:07 PM



“ *Bro. Freelin told me one of my favorite stories of all time. It was about one of his daughters, her boyfriend and matching pistols. The man had a way of getting his point across. I am a better person for having made his acquaintance and listening to many wisdom filled conversations. Bro. Freelin, I will worship our God with you from here, for now, and together when I get there.*

Randy Williams - February 01, 2021 at 02:14 PM



“ *I will miss him. We use to meet about once a week at a coffee shop in Parks Mall. We had some great conversations. We would call each other every so often and talk. He was a friend and we could confide in each other and know the conversation stopped there. My last conversation with him was a couple of days before he became ill. He was calling to see how I was coming along through my surgeries. I will miss our conversations.*

Kenneth Alexander - February 01, 2021 at 01:46 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of Rev. Freelen
One thing for sure he is in heaven and pain free.
We have always loved all of you and wish we could be with you
tonight
We have been in prayer for all of you since we learned of his illness
God Bless All Of You

*Joe and Louise Vaughan
Brenda and Mike Dyess
Brittany Vaughan Babb*

Louise Vaughan - February 01, 2021 at 10:11 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of
Rev. Hank James Freelen.



January 30, 2021 at 06:59 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the
family of Rev. Hank James Freelen.



January 30, 2021 at 06:17 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of
Rev. Hank James Freelen.



January 30, 2021 at 03:44 PM