



Melvyn Douglas "Doug" Call

November 19, 1937 - April 23, 2022

Melvyn Douglas (Doug) Call went to be with the Lord on April 23, 2022.

He was born in Barboursville, WV on November 19, 1937. He was preceded in death by his parents, Homer and Ruby Cooke Call and his older brother Larry.

He is survived by Patricia (Patty) his wife of 62 years, their son Mark Douglas Call and his wife, Sudeana and grandchildren, Sophie, Haleigh, and Mackenzie.

Doug graduated from St. Albans High School where he was student council president. He obtained his bachelor's degree from Marshall University and his master's degree from Indiana University. He received his Doctoral degree from West Virginia University. He was President of State Tech at Memphis Tennessee. He was interim Chancellor of the Board of Regents of WV College and University System, as well as Chancellor over community and technical colleges of WV. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in St. Albans where he and Patty taught a Sunday school class for many years. He also taught a Sunday School Class at Citadel Square Baptist Church in Mount Pleasant SC. During his military service he was a Ranger with the US Army. He was very active in sports and played and coached softball until the age of 72. Doug loved everyone and enjoyed spending time laughing and talking with

his many, many friends and co-workers.

The funeral will be held at 12:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at the First Baptist Church, 523 Second Street, St. Albans, with Pastor Joel M. Harpold officiating. Burial will follow in Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans.

The visitation will be from 11:00 to 12:00p.m. prior to the service

Contributions to his memory may be given to the First Baptist Church at 523 Second Street, St. Albans, WV 25177.

You can visit Doug's tribute page at bartlettnicholsfuneralhome.com to share condolences or memories with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Ave., St. Albans is honored to serve the Call family.

Cemetery Details

Cunningham Memorial Park, Lower Mausoleum Chapel

815 Cunningham Lane
St. Albans, WV 25177
(304) 727-4349

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 4. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of St. Albans
2nd St & 6th Avenue
St. Albans, WV 25177

Funeral Service

MAY 4. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SC

“Patty, over the years I have thought of you and Doug so very many times, and remembered wonderful things about each of you. I had tried to find you all on Facebook a few years ago and was unsuccessful and today I googled Doug and found that he had died last year. He was a wonderful man, a good friend and an asset to the community where he grew up. I don't know if you were aware or not but John died in 2004. He and Doug were such good friends. I wish I had known about Doug's death so I could have shared some of my memories. I hope you are doing well. I remember so well reading your book about your young life in Saint Albans, and having such laughter at the things you experienced. Much love to you and your family, Suzanne.

Suzanne Carte - April 03, 2023 at 02:20 PM

BK

“Patti, I worked with Doug in the late 70's when he was the interim president at Parkersbutg Community College. Doug was the best boss and became a friend. We spoke of our sons, both named Mark. Prayers for you all during this time.

Barb Koker - May 06, 2022 at 09:47 PM

 Mary Valent

“Patty, This is Mary Ellen(Littlejohn) Valent, your old neighbor from Saunders Street. I just wanted to express my sympathy to you and your family upon Doug's passing. How proud you must be of all his accomplishments and the wonderful life you both built. Cherish your memories and know you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Mary Valent - May 03, 2022 at 09:51 PM

GA

“ My dear friend Doug Call was a precious GIFT to all who knew him.
Greg Adkins

Gregory Adkins - May 03, 2022 at 07:44 PM

SA

“ Patty, Mark and family, Don and I loved Doug. He was a wonderful friend and we are so sorry for your loss. We long to be there with you, but are unable at this time. Prayers and love to all of you.
Sharon and Don Amiet

sharon amiet - May 03, 2022 at 03:08 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melvyn Douglas "Doug" Call.



May 02, 2022 at 09:33 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melvyn Douglas "Doug" Call.



May 02, 2022 at 08:32 PM



“ *Classic Charcuterie Snacks Gift Set was purchased for the family of Melvyn Douglas "Doug" Call.*



May 02, 2022 at 01:50 PM



“ *Love and Prayers to family at this time. We know you are with the Lord and enjoying your day.*



April Martin - May 02, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of Doug's passing. He was a good neighbor and friend for many years and the Bush family members were all close to the Calls. We last visited with Doug and Patty in Mt. Pleasant and enjoyed their hospitality and the opportunity to catch up on our families. Our thoughts and prayers are with Patty, Mark and the family.*

David Bush - May 02, 2022 at 11:58 AM



“ *Dearest Patty I'm so very sorry about Doug. I think about you alot. Remembering my time in the library with you. I still read.I held so much love for you. Stephanie Shortt
Ranson 3043951791*

Stephanie ranson - May 01, 2022 at 09:19 PM



“ Doug, assuming you are able to read this from the other side and assuming you aren't too busy with your new duties to glance at earthly tributes, I render a solemn salute for your service in the United States Army as a Ranger. The last time I saw you was at Evan's Grocery Market when I came home on leave as a lieutenant from Pilot Training. I just read this marvelous account of your achievements, service and loving care for others. I knew you were great, but this puts icing on the top. It is my honor to know you, and I'll see you on the other side of the veil when we'll have more time to talk. Hand Salute! Colonel Curtis D. Dale, PhD, USAF (Ret) Class of 55. "Curt"

Curtis Dale - May 01, 2022 at 08:30 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Melvyn Douglas "Doug" Call.



May 01, 2022 at 05:47 PM



“ Doug was a year ahead of me in school, so I didn't know him well, but in addition to his being a star athlete and a leader among his peers, he was kind. This is vague memory, so I may have some of it wrong. In one of the homerooms was a girl who did not dress well and often said unsavory things. The boys in that homeroom voted for her to be a queen contender, thinking it was a funny joke. She was so proud, thinking it was an honor, but she did not have a date for the event where the homeroom queens would be introduced. Doug asked her to go to it as his date. This overwhelming kindness was unusual for a teenaged boy.

Drollene Plattner Brown - May 01, 2022 at 01:30 PM

MH

“ Dear Patti and family,
We were so sad to hear of Doug’s passing; know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. We were so happy that we got to spend time with you recently. It was good to see you both.
We will always remember Doug for his kindness and beautiful smile. Please accept our sympathy.

Len and Marlene Hodakowski

Marlene Hodakowski - April 30, 2022 at 05:37 PM

GD

“ Greg and Dolores purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Melvyn Douglas "Doug" Call.



Greg and Dolores - April 29, 2022 at 12:26 PM