



## William Curtis Orr

July 9, 1933 - March 15, 2018

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Curtis was born July 9, 1933 in Hollis, Oklahoma and he left us to be with Jesus on March 15, 2018. Curtis had moved to Buttonwillow with his parents after the Dust Bowl. He was always a hard worker, starting at age 9, selling ice for the refrigerators of the time (ice boxes). He also worked in his father's grocery store. Curtis attended and played football at Taft High and Kern County High Schools. After graduating, he served in the army as a corporal from 1953 to 1955. Upon discharge and attending Bakersfield College for a short time, Curtis decided to start his own businesses, Curtis Orr Trucking and Consumer Ice & Produce. He drove his dump truck, hauling asphalt, rocks, and other materials for nearly 45 years. He also delivered ice to many of the oil leases and ice houses. Curtis had moved to Bakersfield in 1959 and lived at the same address for the next 59 years.

For recreation, when younger, Curtis loved to go fishing either at Lake Isabella or deep-sea fishing at Morro Bay. The kids, when old enough, would all have their turns to accompany him. In his later years after retirement, Curtis enjoyed watching TV especially westerns, and reading his Bible. Curtis was a devoted Christian and attended the First Bible Baptist Church in Oildale. He faithfully drove the Sunday School bus for over thirty years.

Curtis, Dad or Papa as he was called by family members, will be deeply missed by his loving wife Mary of 43 years, his five children, Jeanne Forcillo

(Mark), Curt Orr (Sharon), Ruth Stayte (Gary), Bill Beverlin (Teresa), Robert Orr (Karen) and his twelve grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Barbara Flaherty of Texarkana, Texas. But we all know that he is walking around the streets of heaven without any of the health issues that plagued him the last few years.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **21**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Mission Family Mortuary  
531 California Ave  
Bakersfield, CA 93304  
1 (661) 323-3339  
<https://missionfamilymortuary.com/>

## Military Honors

MAR **22**. 2:00 PM (PT)

Bakersfield National Cemetery  
30338 E Bear Mountain Blvd  
Arvin, CA 93203  
(661) 867-2250

## Reception

MAR **22**. 7:00 PM (PT)

First Bible Baptist Church  
427 Woodrow ave  
Bakersfield, CA 93308

# Tribute Wall

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“Curtis was truly a blessing to this church. His was a consistent life and testimony for so many years. He never desired the limelight, but saw the needs and supplied them. I remember when I had not been here long and still drove my old blue Ford van. We were taking the kids to Colorado for youth camp, and he asked if I had a good spare tire. I had one I thought was good enough, but he showed up with a new spare and gave it to me. He was more than he appeared to be in so many ways. Members like him are few and far between. He gets to rest now, and that delights my soul. 'Til we meet again on that other shore, Curtis.

*Because of Christ,  
Steve and Roza Heglund*

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**Steve Heglund** - April 06, 2018 at 05:55 PM

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“A wonderful, sweet, very quiet, godly man! A faithful member of First Bible Baptist Church. You will be missed! Till we meet again, in Heaven!

*Our luv in Christ!  
Roger & Alaina Lefler, and family*

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**Alaina Lefler** - March 20, 2018 at 12:36 PM

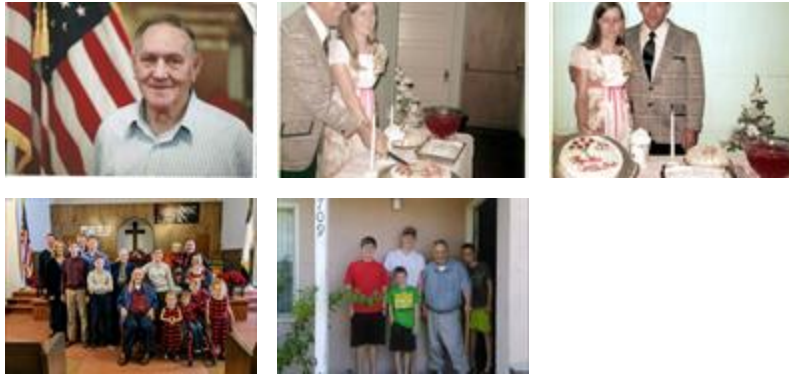
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“ I remember his faithfulness to the Lord and first bible Baptist church,driving the bus for many yrs, always willing to use what ever he had when the church needed it, whether it was his truck or his van to haul kids to camp,and adults. Curtis and mmary are truly an example of what faithfulness is all about, he will be deeply missed by my family and i'm sure all who new him.

kenny reynolds - March 19, 2018 at 05:07 PM



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