



## Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren

September 1, 1960 - December 7, 2022

Reverend Dr. Michael Dwight Warren was a native son of Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida. He was born on Thursday, September 1, 1960, to the parentage of the late Elvin F. Warren and Hattie Lee Warren. He became a practicing Christian at an early age, and accepted the call to the Gospel Ministry, and became nationally known as "The Boy Preacher".

He was educated in the public schools of Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida, Florida Memorial College, and Luther Rice Seminary in Jacksonville, Florida. He received a Doctor of Divinity from Florida Theological Seminary and Bible College (the oldest seminary for African Americans in Florida) in Lakeland, Florida. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Florida Theological Seminary.

Having pastored Greater St. Mary Baptist Church, Mt. Dora, FL; Shady Grove Baptist Church, Ocala, FL; New Jerusalem Baptist Church, Hollywood, FL; First Bethel Baptist Church, Dunnellon, FL, it was May 2001, after due process of the search for a leader, he was notified of the overwhelming desire that he become the pastor of the Pleasant View Baptist Church, Apopka, FL. He accepted the call and in the month of September 2001, he relocated to Apopka, "The Foliage Capital of the World". For 21 years (2001-2022) he served as "Pastor/teacher, for the church and his community. The COVID-19 Pandemic took its toll on us all. These unprecedented times caused church

doors to close as this deadly virus raged globally. Church, Sunday School, Sunday Morning Worship Services, Wednesday Night Prayer/ Bible Study, and Friday Morning Prayer, were all held virtually. With the upmost care and concern for his members, the community-at large and all God's children near and far, he kept us together as he poured out of his soul the unadulterated Word of God. A renowned preacher, teacher, "Doing His Will, His Way, According to His WORD" James 1:19-27 KJV), was the Church's annual theme for seven years. God be Praised!

He was summoned to servant leadership among his ministerial peers and others leaders on several occasions. His service included but was limited to: Bible Expositor of the Mount Bethel Baptist Association, Second Bethlehem Baptist Association, Florida East Coast Southern Union, and the Bethel Baptist Association. He served as Moderator of Mount Bethel Baptist Association, as President of the Bethel Congress of Christian Education, Inc. and was the highly esteemed Moderator of the Bethel Baptist Association of Florida, Inc., where he led that August Body in celebrating its centennial in November 2016. On the state level, he served as the Chairman of the Board of Directors and was currently serving as the Vice-President at-Large of the Florida General Baptist convention where he was appointed by President, Dr.C.P. Preston, Jr. Nationally, he served the eight million-plus members of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., as Historiographer from 2010 through 2014. He also served as Chair of the said national convention's Home Mission Board. In Apopka, the community where he lived and worked, he proudly yet humbly served his friend Marvin C. Zanders, as Chaplain of Zander's Funeral Home for more than 40-plus years. He faithfully served as President of the South Apopka Ministerial Alliance for six years. He was appointed to the position of Director of Religious Affairs of the Florida State Branch of the NAACP, the Premier Civil Rights organization in the United States.

On Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at the appointed hour of 1:10 p.m., Pastor

Warren answered to a higher call. "Servant of God well done", rest from thy loved employ; the battle fought, the victory won; enter thy Master's joy, and he silently transitioned to his new home. Michael was preceded in death by his parents, Elvin and Hattie Warren.

Survivors include his extended family. He leaves to cherish his memories a loving Friend and Companion, Ruth A. Edwards of Dunnellon, FL; Children: Karriem Edwards of Tallahassee, FL Ryan Edwards, Tiffany McNeil (Dyon); Aaliyah Edwards, Ayden McNeil, and Dwight Edwards, all of Ocala, FL, Tywattia Edwards of Atlanta, GA; Nyia Wright (Lester) of St. Roberts, MO; Sherrell Brown and Wesley Brown of Tampa, FL; Loving Sisters: Brenda Cusack of Deland, FL; Cynthia Frazier-Joyner of Dunnellon, FL; Cassandra Davis of Altamonte Springs, FL, and Marchelle Dowdell of Sorrento, FL; Devoted Cousins: Ulysees "Tee" Warren (Beverly) of Sunrise, Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Marvin Warren (Darla); and Ionya Wynn (Dr. Julius Wynn), both of Clearwater, FL; Dr. Frances Quarterman (Dr. Graylan Quarterman) of Hines, GA; Velma Livingston and Sharonda Livingston, both of Lake City, FL, and Reverend Tyrone White (Amy) of Jasper, FL; Devoted Friends: Helen R. Zanders of Apopka, FL; Bishop Russell Wright of Panama City, FL; Reverend Dr. John McKenzie of Leesburg, FL; Reverend Dr. Douglas Hamilton of Winter Park, FL; Reverend Johnny Herring of Jasper, FL, and Earline Battle of Jacksonville, FL; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many, many sorrowing friends. The Pleasant View Church Family of Apopka is in mourning !

To view the service via YouTube please use the link below:

<https://youtu.be/TCN6WXhdRMk>

# Cemetery Details

## Dunnellon Community Cemetery

11330 Rolling Hills Road  
Dunnellon, FL 34431

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **20**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pleasant View Baptist Church  
1202 S. Central Ave.  
Apopka, FL 32703

## Service

DEC **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

City of Destiny  
505 East McCormick Road  
Apopka, FL 32703

# Tribute Wall



“ *Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*

October 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ *Joseph Pierce lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



**Joseph Pierce** - October 13, 2023 at 07:44 PM



“ *SDHatcher lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



**SDHatcher** - January 11, 2023 at 08:22 AM



“ *Cheryl D. Richardson lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



**Cheryl D. Richardson** - December 24, 2022 at 05:58 PM

CR

“ Cheryl D. Richardson lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren



Cheryl D. Richardson - December 24, 2022 at 04:31 PM

VT

“ VB Timpson lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren



VB Timpson - December 23, 2022 at 01:11 PM

RJ

“ DEEPEST SYMPATHY COMES FROM THE FALLING CREEK MBC FAMILY LAKE CITY, FL REV. CARLTON D. JONES - PASTOR GONE BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN SIP REV.DR. MICHEAL D. WARREN

REV. CD. JONES - December 23, 2022 at 07:23 AM

LW

“ LaVetta Waters-Jacobs lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren



LaVetta Waters-Jacobs - December 21, 2022 at 08:21 AM

SS

“ *Shelia And Jeffrey Simmons lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



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**Shelia and Jeffrey Simmons** - December 20, 2022 at 09:39 PM

RW

“ *My first memory of the Rev. Dr. Warren was from back in his teen years as this young, gifted, prodigy of the Gospel here in Jacksonville, Florida. Many churches were facinated by this young man's Deliverance of The Word, and wanted to have him preach in their churches, especially to their youth services. It was as though he was an "Old Soul" in a young man's body. May you RIJ. Praying God's Comfort and Strength for his Family and Church Family in Jesus Name.*

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**Regina Williams** - December 20, 2022 at 06:25 PM

EC

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**E. N. Battle Ptr, Jesus Rock of Ages Ch** - December 20, 2022 at 04:49 PM

RO

“ To my dear friend & God brother Michael D Warren it saddens me for the moment to hear of your passing, I'm often thinking about how U use to ride your bike & hook my red wagon up to your bike & we go riding that when there where no sidewalks nor pave streets that's when they were called dirt roads & pathways we talking back in 1967 wow . I'm certainly glad to know that your life was about the Kingdom of God so now the world knows that heaven is your new home up in Glory! Your brother for life Rev Eugene Johnson.

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Rev Eugene Johnson,Norfolk VA by way of - December 19, 2022 at 04:10 PM

LT

“ L. K. Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren



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L. K. Thomas - December 16, 2022 at 09:45 PM

LT

“ L. K. Thomas lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren



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L. K. Thomas - December 16, 2022 at 09:42 PM

LT

“ He came to the Dunnellon area in 1995 to do a Revival, and The First Bethel Church Decided to keep him! (1995-2001) As a Young Man, he would call me over to First Bethel to do Devotional Services for Them, I transported him a few times to the Train Station as we had become good friends! I'll never forget this Message he Preached out of Exodus 25 at the Revival called "Mercy Seat"! Of course everyone knows of his Pulpit Acrobatics of Throwing his Leg up on the Pulpit- Podium, Throwing his Handkerchief up in the air, spinning around and catching it, covering the Microphone up with it, jumping up in the Pulpit Chair & raising up his leg, and sitting in a chair on the floor and spinning around in it back and forth, Also running up and down the Isles and throwing his Leg up on the Back of a Pew! He put out some of the Best Preaching that You would ever Hear or "See" as it were! If You were to ask me what his favorite thing to Preach about was, I would say "GOD'S Grace"! He would get very, very excited when The Subject of Grace was brought up by Someone else, or by himself whether Speaking or Singing. I have this Song that I have sang at Funerals for almost 30 years now called Amazing Grace (He Looked Beyond my Fault and saw My Need). He Loved to hear me sing this song. I also have it Recorded. Rest in Peace from all of your labors my good Friend and Brother Rev. Dr. Michael Dwight Warren. Sympathetically, Minister L. K. Thomas of Dunnellon, Florida.

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**L. K. Thomas** - December 16, 2022 at 09:16 PM

PB

Brother Thomas you're so right, brought back so many memories over 30 years.

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**Pastor Battle** - December 20, 2022 at 03:35 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren.*



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December 16, 2022 at 08:36 PM



“ *Gloria And Eddie Sears lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



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**Gloria and Eddie Sears** - December 16, 2022 at 01:56 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to The Pleasant View Baptist Church, to the family and friends of Rev. Dr. Michael Warren. A great warrior has transitioned to his eternal rest. Forever we will cherish his memories. Rest well Dr. Warren*  
*Phyllis Alderman*  
*Jacksonville Florida*

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**Phyllis Alderman** - December 15, 2022 at 09:07 PM



“ *Condolences to the family of Rev. Dr. Michael D. Warren. I did not get to know him as others did. His messages and word of encouragement were a blessing to me and my wife. God Bless.*  
*Ronald Bishop President Laymens Auxiliary South End Mount Zion North East Coast District Association.*

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**Ronald Bishop** - December 15, 2022 at 08:56 AM

CW

“ Sincere prayers and condolences to friends, family and the Pleasant View church family in the passing of Rev. Warren. He married my husband & I and will forever be in our hearts. R.I.P.Rev.Warren.

Curley & Anita Williams - December 14, 2022 at 11:00 AM

TF

“ THRESSA FIZER lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren



THRESSA FIZER - December 13, 2022 at 10:28 PM

DT

“ Dianna Taylor lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren



Dianna Taylor - December 13, 2022 at 08:47 AM

GJ

“ Gianetta J. lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren



Gianetta J. - December 12, 2022 at 11:32 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren.*



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December 12, 2022 at 09:19 PM



“ *Expressing condolences to the family and Pleasant View Baptist Church. I too share your sorrow. Dr. Warren was my pastor away from home. Whenever I visited my children in Apopka, I always attend Pleasant View Baptist Church. He will be missed.*



*Willa Stallworth Bryant & Elder Myles E Bryant Pensacola, FL*

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**Willa Stallworth** - December 12, 2022 at 08:05 PM



“ *Tangela Bellamy-Brown lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



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**Tangela Bellamy-Brown** - December 12, 2022 at 03:17 PM



“ *RD James lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



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**RD James** - December 12, 2022 at 07:28 AM

NL

“ I am missing you more and more each day. I will forever LOVE you and pray that we will see each other again. Much Love, St. Nick

Nicole " Nikki" Lamar-Alexander - December 12, 2022 at 02:22 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren.



December 11, 2022 at 11:49 AM

TO

“ My deepest condolences to the family of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren. May God continue to keep you all during your time of bereavement.



Tonya Oliver - December 11, 2022 at 07:47 AM

MK

“ THE WARREN'S FAMILY AND PLEASANT VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH FAMILY ARE IN MY PRAYERS.

LOVE AND DEEPEST SYMPATHY  
MAMIE LONG KELLY - KISSIMMEE, FLORIDA



MAMIE LONG KELLY - December 10, 2022 at 07:13 PM

WT

*My deepest condolences to the family may God continue to be with all of you . 🙏❤️🕊️ Love and Sympathy Wanda Taylor Jax Fl*

**Wanda Taylor** - December 12, 2022 at 08:03 AM

NG

“ *Our Prayers are with you all, Family and friends.* 🎵🔔🎵🔔

**NADINE Griggs** - December 10, 2022 at 03:03 PM

SL

“ *Sadie Lowman sent a virtual gift in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



**Sadie Lowman** - December 10, 2022 at 02:58 PM

SL

“ *Sadie Lowman lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



**Sadie Lowman** - December 10, 2022 at 02:57 PM

SL

“ *Sadie Lowman sent a virtual gift in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



**Sadie Lowman** - December 10, 2022 at 02:51 PM

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“ Sadie Lowman lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren



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**Sadie Lowman** - December 10, 2022 at 02:50 PM

LP

“ To the family of Pastor Warren and the PVMBC family, my condolences, thoughts and prayers are with “US ALL” during this time of our sorrow. Let GODS deep love and understanding help “us” in “our” grief. Strength, Comfort, Peace, Hope, all come from above. Pastor will be missed by so many and PVMBC church family, let’s not forget the teachings of our Pastor. With Deepest Sympathy, Sister Laurice Peterson



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**Laurice Peterson** - December 10, 2022 at 01:01 PM

AM

“ Anthony Miles lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren



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**Anthony Miles** - December 10, 2022 at 11:09 AM

MS

“ *MONICA DENISE SCOTT lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



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**MONICA DENISE SCOTT** - December 10, 2022 at 10:41 AM

VB

“ *Rev. Warren was a man of wisdom and his devotion to his family and Church was admirable. His valuable words and precious thoughts will be ever etched in our hearts. His presence always added color and positivity to any environment. Rev Warren death is a great loss for our church family. I will cherish Rev. Warren and his vibrant memories, forever. Dea Brunson & Velda Brunson.*

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**Velda A Brunson** - December 10, 2022 at 08:46 AM

CW

“ *Charlie Mae Warren lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



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**Charlie Mae Warren** - December 10, 2022 at 08:09 AM

MS

“ *Minnie Long Scott sent a virtual gift in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



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**Minnie Long Scott** - December 10, 2022 at 08:05 AM

MS

“ *Minnie Long Scott sent a virtual gift in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



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**Minnie Long Scott** - December 10, 2022 at 08:04 AM

PB

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Pastor, E. Nelson Battle** - December 10, 2022 at 12:43 AM

PB

*We are both out of the House of Day Spring Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida.*

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**Pastor Battle** - December 20, 2022 at 03:39 PM

PB

*One of God's greatest!!!*

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**Pastor Battle** - December 20, 2022 at 08:29 PM

CD

“ *Clara J Desue lit a candle in memory of Reverend Dr. Michael D. Warren*



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**Clara J Desue** - December 10, 2022 at 12:01 AM

EM

“ *The Family of Moderator Warren. I send my deepest condolences. A man of strong virtues, a friend indeed to all, not afraid to speak truthfully. His Heavenly home awaits.*



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**Eddie Marayne** - December 09, 2022 at 11:13 PM