



Rodney Lee Burkholder

October 31, 1951 - May 18, 2021

Rodney Lee Burkholder was born on October 31, 1951 to Keith and Helen Burkholder.

He grew up the oldest of 6 children, and on June 12, 1971, he married his high school sweetheart and love of his life Mary Kay Winters. They were happily married for the last 50 years and had 6 children.

Rod peacefully entered the presence of his precious Lord on May 18, 2021. For the past 30 years he served as Associate Pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of American Canyon, CA. He served as the administrator of Calvary Baptist Christian Academy, where for the last 22 years he taught hundreds of high school students and impacted countless lives. He loved everyone he ever met, and everyone loved him. He was an encourager and a counselor, always ready with a scripture verse for any situation. The best way to describe him was simply to quote him, as he often said, "I love my Lord and I love my family".

Rod was preceded to glory by his father, his mother, and his stepfather, as well as his son, Little Rod.

He is survived by his wife, Kay; his children, Amie, Robyn (Mike), Lance (Josefine), Jared (Nicole), Justin (Michelle) as well as his adopted children, Josh (Debby), Jessica (Roy), Neil (DeAna) and 26 grandchildren.

Rod loved the Lord and always spoke of the joy of heaven and the loved ones waiting for him there. His prayer would be that all those who read this would know the same joy of salvation and forgiveness of sins he experienced on March 11, 1960.

He was a good man who finished well. He will be greatly missed.

A memorial service will be held Friday, June 18, 2021, at 10 a.m., at Calvary Baptist Church, 117 Theresa Ave, American Canyon. It is kindly requested, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Rod Burkholder Memorial Fund at Calvary Baptist Church via the church website, or mail to the church office, indicating: Rod Burkholder Memorial.

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“ I can't say that I knew Rod well, but I did have the opportunity to teach four of his kids (Amie, Robyn, Jared, and Lance), and Kay worked at our school for a time. All of their children were the kind of students any teacher would love to have in their classroom— smart, responsible, well-behaved, well-mannered, and kind. As teachers, we saw all kinds of kids, and Rod and Kay's children were always happy and obviously loved. I'd heard tales of many of Rod's acts of kindness and legendary sense of humor, but the way I know what a remarkable man he must have been was through his children.

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