



## Olen Ray Fullerton

June 15, 1936 - September 27, 2022

Olen Ray Fullerton, age 86, of Morrilton passed away peacefully at his home on Tuesday, September 27, 2022. He was born on June 15, 1936, in Morrilton, Arkansas, the son of Olen Richard Fullerton and Euna Beatrice (Brewer) Fullerton. He married Mary Elizabeth Williamson on August 15, 1956. They had 3 children, Margaret Grace, Belinda Ellen, and Lydia Beth. He graduated high school from Harding Academy and enrolled at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville where he obtained his Bachelor of Science in Education in 1957. In 1963 he graduated from Arkansas State Teachers College with a Master of Science in Education. He later returned to school at the University of Missouri in Columbia where he earned his Doctor of Education.

He had the pleasure of serving for 42 years in the public school system where he taught and coached students at Wonderview School District, Southern Christian Home, and Camdenton Missouri. He was hired as Assistant Superintendent in Lebanon Missouri, then moved to Iberia Missouri where he served as Superintendent. In 1975, Ray came back home where he served for 23 years as Superintendent of Morrilton/South Conway County School District.

His great love for the Lord spoke volumes. He had the honor of continuing his education by teaching people about God's word in Bible class. He once remarked that Wayne Biggs was always challenging him in class and it made him a better teacher. He was honored to be appointed as an Elder for the

Church where he served for many years.

He loved camping and traveling in his retirement years, duck hunting and pheasant hunting in South Dakota with his friends and his cherished son-in-law, Punkin.

He leaves behind two daughters, Belinda (Punkin) Wells and Beth Fullerton; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, son-in-law, Don Zern; daughter, Margaret Zern; and his wife of 53 years, Liz.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Friday, September 30, at the Downtown Church of Christ with Mr. George Hulett officiating. Pallbearers are Randy McNabb, Ray Ellis, Johnny Balch, Les Cupp, Lindell Roberts, and Ronnie Mobley. Honorary Pallbearer is Jimmy Hill. Burial will follow at Elmwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service, at the church.

# Cemetery Details

## Elmwood Cemetery

1830 Highway 113  
Morrilton, AR 72110

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 30. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Downtown Church of Christ  
100 W. Church St.  
Morrilton, AR 72110

## Funeral Service

SEP 30. 10:00 AM (CT)

Downtown Church of Christ  
100 W. Church St.  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Olen Ray Fullerton*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *Our family and the Fullerton family shared a duplex when our daddy (Lindell Housley) and Olen Ray worked at Southern Christian Home. They became great friends and Liz and our mom were great friends as well. The girls (Margaret, Belinda, Beth, Pam and myself all had fun growing up next to each other and playing on the campus there. We have so many stories from those years together that I cherish. I hope those memories of the years there with our family will also give you comfort and that you will remember those with fondness. We so wish that we could be there at this time! We love you!*

*Susan (Housley) Carr*

Susan Carr - September 29, 2022 at 10:29 PM



*Mrs Susan I give you my condolences because I knew brother Ray very very well*

Crystal Fowler - October 12, 2022 at 10:40 AM

CH

“ Remarkable is only the beginning of words to describe Dr. Fullerton. He was such an inspiration to me. He assured me I could achieve things way above my capabilities. He was a wonderful boss and friend. I always went to him for guidance and advice. He was a fine Christian who was always the same wherever he was. I am so happy that he is now enjoying his heavenly home with his family and friends. I will truly miss him.  
Charlotte Heidenreich

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**charlotte heidenreich** - September 29, 2022 at 08:55 PM

GB

“ Belinda and Beth, I am so sorry for your loss. I'll be keeping you in my prayers. Love you, Glenda

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**Glenda Powell Brownlee** - September 29, 2022 at 07:35 PM

TD

“ Dr.Fullerton was a kind and gracious man. He allowed me to use him as a reference on my resume for years and was my superintendent. A good friend to my entire family. Family,you are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Tyronne Davis** - September 29, 2022 at 02:17 PM



“ Springtime Wishes was purchased for the family of Olen Ray Fullerton.



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September 29, 2022 at 10:32 AM

CS

“ *The Staff and Children of Southern Christian Home wish to offer sympathy to the family of Dr. Fullerton. We rejoice in that he has reached his heavenly reward, though our hearts are filled with sorrow as we feel the void he left in our lives. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.*

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**Charles Lovelace, SCH** - September 29, 2022 at 10:02 AM

WM

*We were the first couple he married as a justice of the peace. Whenever we saw him, he would say he must have done a good job. He and the Lord has, 59 years. We pray for you.*

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**Wilfred and Judy Miller** - October 01, 2022 at 03:05 PM

LG

“ *Our deepest heartfelt condolences to Olen Ray's daughters, Belinda and Beth, and family members, Our thoughts, love and memories for/of the Fullerton family have always been super 'special' to the Oliver family for over 78 years. It is sad to know that we will no longer talk with or see Olen Ray when we come back Home for visits. We look forward to seeing him again. God's peace and blessings to the Fullerton family.*

*s/ Loyce, Lora, Dorothy and Nelson Oliver*

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**Loyce Oliver Greer** - September 29, 2022 at 08:41 AM

JC

*My prayers go out to family of Dr. Olen Ray Fullerton he was a good friend love talking to him RIP my friend.*

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**Jack Carpenter** - September 29, 2022 at 04:27 PM

FB

“ *Fran Brewer purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Yellow and White for the family of Olen Ray Fullerton.*



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**Fran Brewer** - September 28, 2022 at 09:35 PM



“ *Springtime Wishes was purchased for the family of Olen Ray Fullerton.*



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September 28, 2022 at 09:13 PM

BK

“ *Dr. Fullerton was a smart man who as Superintendent of Schools led with confidence and integrity. As a principal, I was glad he was in the “White House”! I will miss the times we visited with each other since our retirement! Love and prayers to his family!*

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**Bill Koonce** - September 28, 2022 at 06:33 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Olen Ray Fullerton.*



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September 28, 2022 at 04:30 PM