



# Mr. Kenneth "Coach" McKenney

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**C**oach Kenneth Harold McKinney, age 86 of Vernon, AL, passed away Wednesday, March 3, 2021, at his residence surrounded by his family.

Coach McKinney was born January 8, 1935, in Tuscumbia, AL. He was a football coach and won three state championships. He was also a faithful member of the Vernon First United Methodist Church. In addition to coaching football, Coach McKinney also enjoyed spending time with his family. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his foster parents, Talmage and Vera Bumpus; his son, Kenny McKinney; his daughter, Kathy McKinney; and his foster brothers and sisters.

Funeral services will be Saturday, at 2:00 PM, at the Vernon First United Methodist Church with Patrick Gunn officiating. Burial will follow at Henry Cemetery in Corinth, MS. Visitation will be at the church, 12:00-2:00, prior to the service.

Active pallbearers will be Tyler McKinney, Whitney McKinney, Patrick McKinney, Coleman Pipkin, Brandon McKinney, Michael McKinney, Chris Wiygul, Wesley Wiygul, Luke McKinney, and Mac Crawford. Honorary pallbearers will be all of Coach McKinney's football players.

Coach McKinney is survived by his wife, Sara McKinney, of Vernon, AL; his children, Scott (Stacy) McKinney of Jackson, MS, Beth (Tommy) Herring of Rainbow City, AL, Sally (Tim) Wiygul of Tupelo, MS, and David (Michelle) McKinney of Winfield, AL; 14 grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; his daughter-in-law, Amy McKinney of Harvest, AL; one foster brother, Jimmy Bumpus; his caregivers, Tammi Metcalf and Jenni Hankins; and his very best friend, Ed Ellis of Jackson, TN.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in his memory to the First United Methodist Church of Vernon, 210 1st Street NE, Vernon, AL 35592, or to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or go online to [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org).



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# Events

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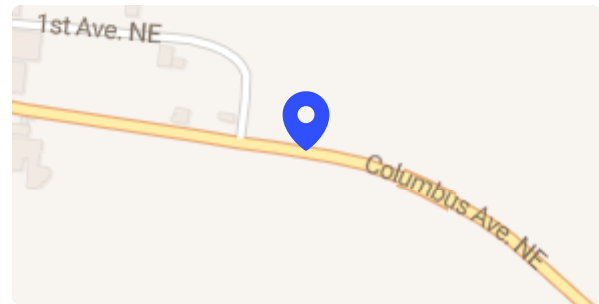
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## Visitation


 **Saturday**, March 6, 2021

 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT

 **Vernon First United Methodist Church**  
1 Columbus Ave NE, Vernon AL 35592

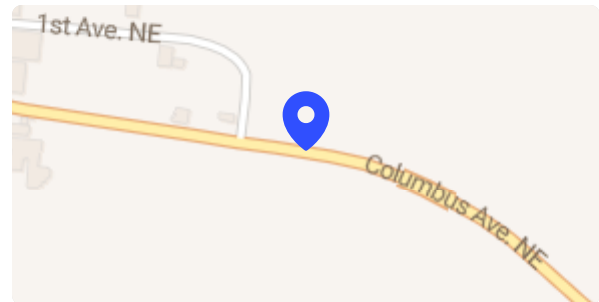


## Funeral Service

 **Saturday**, March 6, 2021

 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM CT

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## Tribute Wall

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JK

**John E & Linda Kirk** sent a virtual gift in honor of Kenneth.

To a much loved man and his wonderful family. So sorry for the loss of our Coach. May our Lord God receive him into his flock. Amen amen grace

March 14 at 6:39 AM



RF

**Rita Foster** posted:

Prayers for all the family. Scott, Beth, Sally and David I am so sorry for the loss of your Dad. Friday night football games were the best when Coach McKinney coached. I loved cheering for our 77-78 Class 2-A State Football Champs. Great memories that will never be forgotten. Rita Jones Foster

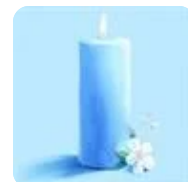
March 9 at 7:24 PM

LB

**Linda Barnes** lit a candle in honor of Kenneth.

Prayers for his family

March 5 at 10:41 PM





## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Kenneth by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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