



## Samuel Franklin Caldwell

September 30, 1921 - February 3, 2021

Rev. Samuel Franklin Caldwell, 99, formerly of Rustburg died Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at Autumn Care of Altavista. He was twice married, first to the late Carol Evelyn Tweedy Caldwell and secondly, to the late May Luella Shaffer Mosebrook Caldwell.

He was born September 30, 1921 in Campbell County, a son of the late Samuel A. Caldwell and Eunice Franklin Caldwell. He was a member of Bethany United Methodist Church, a retired minister, and a U.S. Army World War II veteran.

He is survived by a son, Ray Caldwell, and his wife, Kay of Altavista; a daughter, Dana C. Mosebrook and her husband, Bill of Gladys; a daughter-in-law, Barbara Caldwell of Hurt; seven grandchildren, fifteen great grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Robert Caldwell and Barry Caldwell; and one great grandson.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, February 7, 2021 at Bethany United Methodist Church by the Rev. Jennifer Moore with interment to follow in the church cemetery with military honors by American Legion Altavista Memorial Post 36 and Gretna Post 232.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service Sunday at the church.

Viewing of Rev. Caldwell will be available 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., Saturday at Finch and Finch, Inc. Funeral and Cremation Service, Gladys.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider American Legion Altavista Memorial Post 36 and Gretna Post 232, P.O. Box 153, Altavista, VA 24517; Bethany United Methodist Church, 2272 Bethany Rd., Rustburg, VA 24588; or a charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Bethany United Methodist Church Cemetery

2772 Bethany Rd.  
Rustburg, VA 24588

# Previous Events

## Viewing

FEB 6. 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch, Gladys  
124 Flynn St.  
Gladys, VA 24554

## Visitation

FEB 7. 1:30 PM (ET)

Bethany United Methodist Church  
2772 Bethany Rd.  
Rustburg, VA 24588

## Funeral Service

FEB 7. 2:30 PM (ET)

Bethany United Methodist Church  
2772 Bethany Rd.  
Rustburg, VA 24588



# Tribute Wall



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - February 06, 2021 at 09:46 AM

EW

“ *He was a great man and very friendly. He married me and sonny on march 21, 1988 at our home. i would always watch him fix the honey bees home down on the farm below us. I remember his wife and doris Dalton coming by to visit me at my home i enjoyed stopping by autumn care to visit him. He will be missed*



Elaine Wright - February 11, 2021 at 04:30 PM



“ *Dana, Ray and families,*

*I was so sorry to hear of the death of Sam. He was a good man and is now with his heavenly Father and loved ones. I know you will miss him. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Joan Isaacs Grishaw*

Joan Grishaw - February 07, 2021 at 04:31 PM

SB

*My deepest sympathy to Ray and Kay Caldwell in the loss of Rev. Sam Caldwell. May God grant you peace.*

*Shirley Mayhew Bailey  
Burke, VA*

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**Shirley M Bailey** - February 10, 2021 at 09:35 AM

SS

“ So sorry. Sending prayers

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**Steve & Charlotte Shelton** - February 06, 2021 at 08:46 PM

TH

“ You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Tammie Hodges*

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**Tammie Hodges** - February 06, 2021 at 01:23 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Samuel Franklin Caldwell .



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February 06, 2021 at 01:01 PM



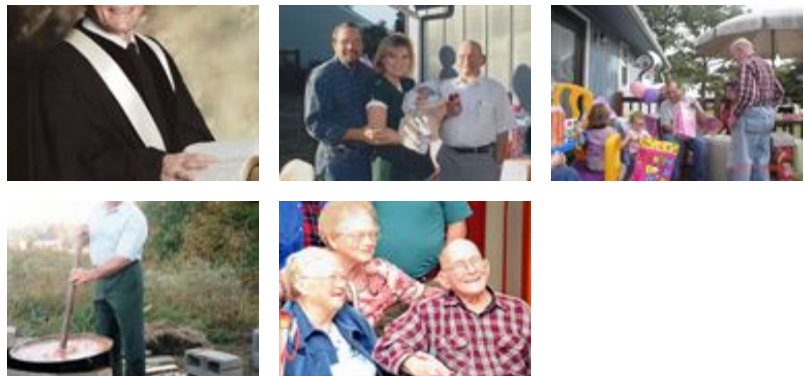
“ *Bryan and Mary Kovach  
Tucker and Betty Floyd*

*My parents, Bryan, and I would like to express our sympathy to the family during this time of loss. Sam was a wonderful person who touched so many lives and we are thankful for the memories we have together. Sam had a beautiful smile and a contagious laugh. He could always cheer you up with both of them. I know my Mom is thankful for him being the minister for both her weddings. Mom enjoyed preparing some meals for Sam, Bill, and Dana. Bryan and I enjoyed many meals with Sam, Ray, and Zora as well as meals of us together with Bill and Dana. Sam always complimented someone on being a good cook at meal time. My family and I enjoyed the visits with Sam while we visited my granny at the nursing home. Thank you for our memories and blessed to have been a part of his life. Rest In Peace our dear friend.*

Mary and Bryan Kovach - February 06, 2021 at 10:52 AM



“ 97 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - February 06, 2021 at 09:34 AM

MB

“ *A.Ray, Kay and family, so sorry for your loss but thankful that Mr. Caldwell is where he longed to be. I always heard such good things about him!!! Hold on to those memories! Love and prayers to your family.*

*Ryland and Mitzi Brumfield*

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**Mitzi Brumfield** - February 06, 2021 at 08:59 AM

IK

“ *Thoughts and prayers for the family.*



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**Iris Keesee** - February 06, 2021 at 06:24 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Samuel Franklin Caldwell .*



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February 05, 2021 at 10:53 PM

KN

“ Sam was our pastor at Huddleston United Methodist Church for many years and he and Carol were wonderful ambassadors for Christ. Just plain people who moved into the community and became a part of it. They were loved more than they ever knew! Our thoughts and prayers are with you, I'm confident that Sam is now rejoining with Carol at the foot of the cross.

*Katrina and Jerry Nester (he also married us in 1981)*

*Peggy Zimmerman*

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**Katrina O. Nester** - February 05, 2021 at 07:07 PM

GM

“ Papa, I will miss you and right now my heart hurts but I know you are in a much sweeter place called home. I love you and I know you will look over us all but Mom and Uncle Ray will need your comfort every now and again. Fly High Papa I love you so much

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**Gloria Mosebrook** - February 05, 2021 at 05:53 PM

GM

“ Gloria Mosebrook lit a candle in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell



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**Gloria Mosebrook** - February 05, 2021 at 05:49 PM

EP

“ *EDDIE PuCKETTE lit a candle in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell*



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**EDDIE PuCKETTE** - February 05, 2021 at 02:39 PM

KG

“ *I know that Sam will Rest In Peace. His life was one of the most amazing testimonies of The message of the gospel and Jesus I knew of. A great man of stature in the faith, living with humility and boldness. Thank you, Sam, for enduring through many of life's challenges.*



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**kyle goldsmith** - February 05, 2021 at 02:09 PM

DM

“ *Dana, so sorry to hear about your dad. Just want you to know we love you and you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Dale and Brenda Money*

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**Dale Money** - February 05, 2021 at 12:02 PM

MM

“ *Dana, so sorry to hear of Sam's passing. He was a great pastor to his family at Mt. Zion UMC when he was there. You and your family are in our prayers and thoughts.*

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**Mary Moore** - February 05, 2021 at 10:12 AM

DR

“ Sincere sympathy to each family member on the loss of one so dear. May your good memories of God's faithful servant be long lasting. Darlene & Billy Robertson

Darlene/Billy Robertson - February 05, 2021 at 09:47 AM

JM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

JoAnn Martin - February 05, 2021 at 09:23 AM

TH

“ So sorry to hear that Mr. Caldwell passed away. He was such a sweet man. I have found memories of him growing up in the little Methodist church that he was pastor of. He and my daddy shared a special friendship over the years especially turkey hunting.

Tammy Mayhew Harris - February 05, 2021 at 08:04 AM

BW

Rev Caldwell was such a sweet man. Comforting to know he's now in the arms of Jesus. My thoughts and prayers are with you, dear family. Billie Collins Wallace

Billie Collins Wallace - February 05, 2021 at 09:20 AM

DT

SORRY TO hear about your loss. Our prayers are with you and the family. Bill and Dale

Dale and Bill Torrence - February 05, 2021 at 08:45 PM

JU

“ *Pastor Caldwell was a wonderful pastor. He married my husband Jimmy and me in 1973. He conducted the funeral for both of my parents Walter and Frances Daniel. He was such a comfort for my family. I'm prayer for comfort for his family. Judy Daniel Jordan*

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**JudyJordan** - February 05, 2021 at 07:46 AM

JW

“ *Joan Woodson sent a virtual gift in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell*



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**Joan Woodson** - February 05, 2021 at 07:30 AM

MH

“ *Please accept my sincere sympathy. You are in my thoughts and prayers*



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**Mary Moses Hicks** - February 04, 2021 at 10:55 PM

MF

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Sam was a major force in my Christian life and I will always be thankful for his guidance early on in my walk with the Lord. Prayers for the family and many, many friends that he leaves behind. Heaven has gained a great man.*

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**Myron Fariss** - February 04, 2021 at 09:47 PM

DF

“ God bless you. You earned your wings. Now celebrate home ❤️

Dianne Fifer - February 04, 2021 at 09:34 PM

DD

“ Dear Ray and Family.  
So sorry to hear about the passing of your Father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during the loss of your Loved one.  
Sincerely,  
Dennis DeLappe

Dennis DeLappe - February 04, 2021 at 09:07 PM

PP

“ Ray, Dana and family. He lived a long and good life. My thought and prayers are with each one of the family in this time of sorrow.



Pat Puckette - February 04, 2021 at 08:11 PM

RS

“ Rev Samuel & Carol were our Mentors in the Ministry. They taught us so much! We had High Respect for them & his family. Can't say enough GOOD about Sam & Carol!  
Matthew 25:21.....His Master replied, Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your Masrer's happiness!

Rev Steve - February 04, 2021 at 06:55 PM

MT

“ Mike, Kim, & Hannah Towler lit a candle in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell



Mike, Kim, & Hannah Towler - February 04, 2021 at 06:43 PM

RS

“ Rev Steve & SandraParker lit a candle in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell



Rev Steve & SandraParker - February 04, 2021 at 06:33 PM

GW

“ Sorry for your loss. Prayers



Gwenda Willard - February 04, 2021 at 05:07 PM

EB

“ Edwin & Sue Blackstock sent a virtual gift in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell



Edwin & Sue Blackstock - February 04, 2021 at 04:40 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Samuel Franklin Caldwell .



February 04, 2021 at 04:34 PM



“ Kathy And Ray Walker lit a candle in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell



**Kathy and Ray Walker** - February 04, 2021 at 04:28 PM



“ Bill & Betty Adkins lit a candle in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell



**Bill & Betty Adkins** - February 04, 2021 at 04:08 PM



“ Terry King lit a candle in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell



**Terry king** - February 04, 2021 at 03:58 PM

GD

“ *Glenn & Phyllis Dalton lit a candle in memory of Samuel Franklin Caldwell*



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**Glenn & Phyllis Dalton** - February 04, 2021 at 03:49 PM