

Geyer Springs Baptist Church
Friday, August 21, 2026, 12:00 p.m.
Joe Donald Magness
Order Of Service

Song - "I'm a Child of the King"

Reading of Obituary & Opening Comments
Pastor Dave Hughey

Song - "Amazing Grace"

Message
Pastor Dave Hughey

Song - "Sheltered in the Arms of God"

Dismissal & Closing Prayer
Pastor Dave Hughey

Final Resting Place:
Pinecrest Memorial Park Cemetery



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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Joe Donald Magness



AUGUST 17, 1933 - AUGUST 17, 2026

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of
the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou
art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of
mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days
of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
forever.

Joe Donald Magness, age 93, died August 17, 2026. He was born in Plainview (Yell County), Arkansas, on August 17, 1933, to the late Fay R. and Nelia Forrest Magness.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Billy Magness; and sister, Betty Magness. He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Morphis Magness; sons: Larry (LD) Magness (Ruthy) of Alexander, and Gregory Magness of Las Vegas, Nevada; daughter: Missa Hancock (Michael) of Longview, Texas; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and his sister: Pamela Magness Hull (Ricky).

Joe was a graduate of Russellville High School, attended Arkansas Tech University, and graduated from the University of Arkansas with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. He was a Registered Professional Engineer and a member of the Arkansas Academy of Civil Engineers and Tau Beta Pi. He was employed by the Arkansas Highway Department for 32 years and later by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for 23 years. He and Bonnie enjoyed 72 years of happy marriage and traveled to all 50 states, twelve foreign countries, and five Canadian Provinces.

He was a member of Geyer Springs First Baptist Church for 57 years, where he taught intermediate boys' and girls' Sunday School and sang in the Adult Choirs.

His legacy will live on through the family he loved, the lives he touched, and the many memories they will carry with them.