

Leland B. Tucker Jr., 67

Leland B. Tucker Jr., 67, died Friday, Sept. 14, 2007, in his home in Brooklyn.

Leland Berl Tucker Jr. was born July 11, 1940, in Kinston, N.C. His parents were Leland Berl Tucker Sr. and Lizzie Lou Moore Tucker. He received his education in Kinston, N.C., and Heritage Bible College in Huntsville, Ala., where he received his master's degree.

He was united in marriage to Eleanor Ann Jenkins on Aug. 17, 1959, in Florence, S.C. Leland served with the U.S. Navy from April 14, 1970 to Feb. 12, 1973. He was a chemical engineer and owned and operated LED Services in Tuscumbia, Ala. Leland and Eleanor moved to Brooklyn three and one-half years ago, coming from Tuscumbia, Ala. Since living in Brooklyn, he served as pastor of First Southern Baptist Church of Newton, of which he was a member. He also attended Victor Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Eleanor of Brooklyn; three children, Grace (Mark) Hammond of Huntsville, Ala., Leland (Janet) Tucker III of Grimes, and Donnie (Vickey) of Aiken, S.C.; his sister, Kathy Moore, of Kinston, N.C.; four grandchildren, Daniel Hammond, Matthew Reaves, Shannon Terry and Patricia Collins; and three great-grandchildren, Kali Terry, Hunter Terry and Emily Collins.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services for Leland Tucker were held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, at the Nevenhoven Funeral Home, Brooklyn. Pastor Dan Andrews of Victor Baptist Church and Dr. John Shaull of Winterset officiated. The musician was Carol Alba and the soloist was Renee Andrews. Special selection was "Blessed Assurance." Casket-bearers were Dick Cochran, Don Alba, Lynn Haines, George Bean, Ed Gross and William Jenkins. Interment was in Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery.

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