



## Marion Elias Burkett

April 15, 1922 - May 4, 2022

Marion Elias Burkett, 100, of Columbia City, passed away at 3:30 pm Wednesday, May 4, 2022, at Miller's Merry Manor in Columbia City, IN.

Marion was born on April 15, 1922, in Monroe County, MI, the son of William Burkett and Nettie (Heck) Burkett. He graduated from Clare High School with the class of 1943. He married the love of his life Frances Helene Coulter on August 14, 1943, in Clare County, Michigan on her family farm. They shared 73 years of marriage before she preceded him in death on May 10, 2017. Marion spent his whole life in ministry, started at the age of 16 and faithfully continued teaching bible study up until one week before his passing. His life was devoted to his family and ministry as a pastor in congregations in several states and Canada and mission work in Southeast Kentucky and Sierra Leone West Africa for the Church of The United Brethren in Christ, United Methodist and Missionary churches.

Survivors include his three Sons, David L (Julie) Burkett of Franklin, PA, Mark A (Sandy) Burkett of Churubusco, IN, Philip L. (Darlene) Burkett of Cass City, MI; seven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his father, William Adam Burkett, mother, Nettie Lorain Burkett, wife, Frances Helene Burkett, son, Stephen P Burkett, sisters, Geneva Kliem, Clara Morgan, Lillian Williamson, and brothers, Omer Burkett, Clarence Burkett, Otto Burkett.

Visitation will be from 10:00 am – 11:00 am Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at Bailey-Love Mortuary, with Hospice Chaplain Kurt Snyder officiating.

Preferred memorials to The Gideons International, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750. Or go online to [www.gideons.org/donate](http://www.gideons.org/donate).

Please sign the online guest book at [www.baileylove.com](http://www.baileylove.com).

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Marion Elias Burkett.

# Events

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**MAY**   **Visitation**            10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Bailey-Love Mortuary  
35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, US, 46750

**MAY**   **Service**                    11:00AM

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# Comments

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“ Presbyterian minister Fred Rogers once said this From the time you were very little, you’ve had people who have smiled you into smiling, people who have talked you into talking, sung you into singing, loved you into loving.” now for one minute I’m going to time you lets just take some time to think of those extra special people some of them may be right here some may be far away some may even be in heaven no matter where they are deep down you know they have always wanted what was best for you they have always cared about you beyond measure and have encouraged you to be true to the best within you I know we can all agree when we think of those people Marion is one of them  
Burkett family Dr Burkett and Sandy I don’t know if I can put into words how much I loved Marion I always enjoyed reading him his mail and giving him updates on how my day was and family was. He always smiled when he talked about his family, the day he passed I had just came up after my shift to say a final goodbye and It was then and there with the hospice team and Phil and Darlene we sang the first and last verses of how great thou art  
When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart  
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration  
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art In that moment a man took the hand of Jesus and went home. Thank you Burkett family for sharing Marion with me I am forever changed because of his love for me and his ministry to my life

Cal Jones - May 12 at 11:19 PM

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“ I cherish the time I got to spend with Marion. He helped me through some difficult times. Losing my Mom was one of them.  
Last year, my husband asked me what I wanted to do for my Bday. I told him to go see, my special friend Marion. My husband enjoyed meeting him. He told me I understand why you love to see him!  
A special man and friend!!  
Thank you for sharing your Dad, with so many that loved him. He will (is) missed.  
Heavens gates were opened wide for the beautiful soul!  
May God Comfort You  
And Give You Peace,  
Leah Phillipson ( Hospice, Massage Therapist)

Leah Phillipson - May 12 at 09:41 AM

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“ Mark and Sandy, I know that Dick and Nancy are with you today as you say your earthly farewells to a wonderful man and servant of God. Lewis and I have been blessed by knowing him and Frances. I will always remember hearing him say as he was watching Kristen with her children... "she is a wonderful mother"... and to that we totally agree. Love and prayers! -- Lewis and Mary Frances

**Lewis and Mary Frances** - May 10 at 11:07 AM