



Doyle Childress

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S Doyle Childress, Jr., born on January 9, 1943, to his parents who preceded him, Sidney Doyle and Addie Gray Childress and big brother to Jerry Childress (Judy). Doyle unexpectedly went to be with his Savior and Lord on January 7, 2016. He is survived by his wife and “soul mate” of 48 years, Eddie Jean Baldwin Childress, his proudest two achievements in life, his sons, Brian Doyle Childress (Kristi) and Collin J Childress (Jennifer). He was blessed with five beautiful grandchildren, Riley Kate, Cooper, Hudson, Colton, and Evie. Doyle had a “Big, ”magnetic personality and a unique ability to build successful and sustainable relationships in both life and in business. Doyle’s passion for loving and mentoring people yielded him a lifetime of joy in family and professional success throughout his career. Over his 50 year career in Sales and Marketing, Doyle earned multiple national leadership awards as a top sales person and executive at McDonald Brothers in the consumer products sector for two fortune 500 companies Whirlpool and RCA, and he was also the key contract facilitator in the Nasdaq listing of a local computer technology company, SCB Computer Technology. Doyle ended his career as Regional Vice President of Sales for Cook Systems International. Doyle’s professional success was only a secondary to his huge success as a dedicated and loving family man. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, January 12 at Kirby Woods Baptist from 10:00-11:30 with the service to follow immediately. Interment will follow at Memorial Park.



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RG

Rockel Gillespie posted:

I just learned of your passing Doyle. You were a very special person to us! The Thai restaurants we enjoyed, Jim's place, your always caring loving entertaining Eddie Jean. Your unforgettable voice.... playing santa at Christmas for our kids. Your warmth comforted so many people. Sleep now We love you Rockel Gillespie and family

January 11 at 5:46 PM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Fruits and Blooms Basket was purchased for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 16 at 6:26 AM

DB

David Brown posted:

I will miss Doyle's friendly and genuine smile, and the deep booming voice that shared all of those wonderful stories of his life experiences. Doyle would periodically stop and visit as he made his rounds on the FedEx campus. He spoke fondly of his family and the people he'd previously worked with. As we'd part, he would always say "let's have lunch sometime". I wanted his family to know that Doyle cast a wide shadow of positive influence that enriched the lives of many people. I feel blessed to have know him, and will think of him often.

January 13 at 10:37 AM

JS

Jenn Stark posted:

Mr. Childress certainly had a larger than life personality and his laugh could light up an entire room! My family went to church with the Childress family and I worked with Mr. Childress at SCB. He was so kind. He always told the funniest jokes and loved his family more than anything else. I am so saddened by this news and I am offering my prayers of peace and comfort to his family and friends. Jennifer Benn Stark

January 12 at 1:30 PM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 12 at 7:18 AM



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MA

Margaret posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with each of you. I have many good memories of Doyle in the years I was at Ridgeway. Eddie Jean, I know you will miss him very much. I know Brian, Collin and the wonderful grandchildren will miss him very much. I know all of you have wonderful fun memories of time spent with him. I pray the LORD will put his arms around each of you and comfort you. GOD BLESS each of you. Margaret Guess

January 12 at 3:32 AM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 1:39 PM

GM

Gary And Beth McDonald posted:

Gary and Beth McDonald purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 12:23 PM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 12:20 PM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Gift of Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 12:18 PM

TF

The Galler Family posted:

The Galler Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 11:13 AM



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JF

Jim, Janet Bresch And Family posted:

Jim, Janet Bresch and family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 10:22 AM

ST

Stefanie posted:

I first met Doyle many years ago as someone who provided contractors to FedEx. He was always a delight to work with. A very nice and personable man. I am very sorry for your loss and am praying for your family.

January 11 at 9:54 AM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Garden Cross was purchased for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 8:35 AM

SA

Sherry Aaholm posted:

Sherry Aaholm purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 5:37 AM

JM

Judy And Keith Marlin posted:

Judy and Keith Marlin purchased the Love's Tapestry for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 5:13 AM

DW

David Warren posted:

Gonna miss you man. Gonna miss the stories. Sometimes the same. Invited two vendors to my retirement reception and you were one. Take care, RIP & heaven.

January 11 at 4:37 AM



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ME

Matt Bomberger/Jeff Watkins And The Expe posted:

Matt Bomberger/Jeff Watkins and the Experis team purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 4:25 AM

CD

Chip & Edith Dunnivant posted:

Chip & Edith Dunnivant purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 11 at 4:18 AM

SS

Steven Howard Smith posted:

I met Doyle in 1987. We worked together for almost twenty years and stayed in touch. Our last conversation was in late December. He answered that call with that great basso profundo voice saying, "Doyle Childress" and then paused for dramatic effect to inquire after the pause if I had assumed that I was hearing a recording. He then exploded into laughter. That was Doyle, a larger than life personality who could ignite a room with his huge personality and booming voice to the benefit of all. Every contact was an opportunity for merriment and innocent mischief. In a life of constant travel, both domestic and international, I have yet to meet a similar personality. Doyle loved Memphis and often shared his memories of growing up in the Bluff City. I especially enjoyed the stories of his days at WHBQ which included his friendship with George Klein, "The Geeker", and his skits with Sivad on Fantastic Features. As an elementary school student who was mesmerized by Sivad and that shtick in the early 1960's it was an honor to know someone who was part of that Memphis history. He was wholly devoted to Eddie Jean, and given to incessant bragging about his sons and grandchildren. Doyle was truly one of a kind. We are each poorer for his passing. If you knew him you were blessed. RIP, Doyle. And thanks for the memories.

January 10 at 6:40 PM

KG

Kevin Giles posted:

Doyle was an awesome person. His outlook and wisdom of life will forever be with me. Prayer warrior for sure. Great memories at the lake and many restaurants. I will miss you, Buddy. My prayers go out to His family. Kevin Giles

January 10 at 6:26 PM



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EW

Elizabeth Wheeler posted:

This breaks my heart! I loved him so!! One of my very very favorite people I've met in this life. Will never forget the Chinese food delivery prank!! Heavy heart tonight as the world lost such a bright soul! Elizabeth Wheeler

January 10 at 6:22 PM

LF

Love In Christ, Blake & Jenny Franklin posted:

Love in Christ, Blake & Jenny Franklin purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Doyle Childress Jr..

January 10 at 4:22 PM

BR

Brad Robb posted:

I was saddened to hear of Doyle's passing. He was a friend and a big fan of Grassfire, my bluegrass band. We always wanted hear his booming voice introduce us when we played and he was in attendance. A big man, with a big voice and an even bigger heart. Rest in peace Doyle. I know there is bluegrass in heaven, and I hope you introduce the Angel Band before each of their sets!

January 10 at 12:13 PM

PM

Paul McDonald posted:

Doyle Childress was truly a outstanding person in every way. I worked with Doyle at McDonald Brothers Company and we became very close friends. Doyle was highly respected by both RCA and Whirlpool Corporations for his sales and management success when pioneering many new innovative products. He earned "Best in The U.S.," Whirlpool Corporation's highest national award, and Earned RCA's highest national award known as The Mesa Club. Doyle always inspired everyone he was around and always made friends easily. I have lost a great friend and I will miss him badly. Paul McDonald

January 10 at 9:33 AM

MP

Memorial Park posted:

Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of S Doyle Childress.

January 9 at 7:49 PM



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MP

Memorial Park posted:

Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of S Doyle Childress.

January 9 at 6:29 PM

GF

George Flinn posted:

What a great person. At Central High with him, I knew he would be outstanding and he was far more. He livened up any gathering. Everyone would always come away feeling energized by being around Doyle. His smile was unforgettable. Sonny FLINN

January 9 at 6:06 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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