



Albert "Doc" Hughes

February 28, 1941 - April 11, 2018

Albert C. ("Doc") Hughes, age 77, died early Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at NHC Healthcare, Pulaski, Tennessee. He was born February 28, 1941 in Birmingham, Alabama. He graduated from Fairfield High School and obtained a BM degree in music history and an AB degree in English from Birmingham-Southern College; MM degrees in musicology and voice from the University of Illinois; and a DMA degree in vocal performance from West Virginia University. He also did postdoctoral study in choral conducting at Florida State University.

Albert returned to Birmingham-Southern College in 1968, where he taught music until 1981. He then became an instructor of music at the Baylor School in Chattanooga for three years. He moved to Pulaski in 1987 to become an Associate Professor of Music at Martin Methodist College and was later promoted to Professor. At the time of his retirement in 2013, he was named Professor Emeritus.

Albert has sung as a soloist with many church choirs throughout his life, including St. Mary's on the Highlands Episcopal Church and First United Methodist Church in Birmingham; Wesley Methodist in Urbana, Illinois; and St. John's Episcopal Church in Tallahassee. Upon moving to Pulaski, he assumed the position of choir director at First Presbyterian Church, where he served until the end of 2012. He also was ordained as elder in the First Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte Evans Hughes and by cousins George (Fay) Taylor of Signal Mountain; Bill (Janice) Taylor of Oxford, Mississippi; Mabel Ubiñas of San Juan Puerto Rico; and Bill (Jerre) Horton on Hertford, North Carolina. He was preceded in death by parents Albert C. Hughes Sr. and Mabel Taylor Hughes; and grandparents M.C. and Letha Hughes and Edmund P. and Katherine Taylor.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 14, at 11:00 AM at First Presbyterian Church, 202 South 2nd Street, Pulaski; Visitation with the family will be at the church on Friday, April 13, from 4:00-6:00 PM and on Saturday from 9:00-11:00 AM prior to the memorial service.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Martin Methodist College music program (433 West College Street, Pulaski TN 38478) or First Presbyterian Church (P.O. Box 174, Pulaski, TN 38478).

Bennett-May-Giles County Funeral Home in charge of arrangements for Albert C. ("Doc") Hughes

Tribute Wall

GM

“ Charlotte,
We'll always remember the many kindnesses Dr. Hughes showed to Farrell. Please know that we keep you close in our hearts at this sad time as we share in your sorrow.
The McKinney family
by : Gaylia

Gaylia McKinney - February 09, 2018 at 04:02 PM

JG

“ Charlotte,
I'm so sorry and sad to learn of Albert's death. Sharing my college years at BSC with him will always remain among my most special memories. We laughed so much in later years about our shenanigans in Victorian poets class...poor Dr. Ownbey. Albert was so smart, gifted, and kind...just a wonderful and good man..and I will always love him. You are in my heart and in my prayers for comfort and peace. Rest in peace, dear Albert, and rise in glory!!
Love from Jane.

Jane Watwood Gibbs - February 09, 2018 at 04:02 PM

LR

“ Charlotte, Dr. Hughes was one of my voice teachers at BSC and I studied vocal pedagogy with him. He was such a nice man and good teacher and singer. I have fond memories.
Les Reagan
Class of 1978

Les Reagan - February 09, 2018 at 04:02 PM

KT

“ Lit a candle in memory of Albert "Doc" Hughes

Kathy Thomas,NHC Pulaski Tn. - February 09, 2018 at 04:02 PM

LT

“ Charlotte, I'm saddened to hear of Albert's death. He was a wonderful man who was loved by many. I love you and am praying for God's loving arms to enfold you with His peace 🧡

Leslie Douglas Thompson - February 09, 2018 at 04:02 PM

DR

“ Charlotte-you and Albert were such wonderful and loved friends. I still speak of you both when talking of those who help shape me by caring and the guidance of friendship. I send my love and my prayers. Don Roser (Theta Chi '74)

Don Roser - February 09, 2018 at 04:02 PM

DW

“ Charlotte, my heart is broken. I am so very sorry for your loss. I learned so much from Albert. He will be missed by so many. Thinking of you and sending prayers for peace and comfort. May beloved Albert, Dr. Hughes, Rest In Peace.

Debbie DuPree Williams - February 09, 2018 at 04:02 PM

HW

“ I have good memories of him from BSC. I am thinking about your pain now. I lost my wife a year ago and I feel the hurt. May God bless you.

Herbert Williamson BSC '62.

Herbert L Williamson - February 09, 2018 at 04:02 PM