



Rev. Dr. Phillip Andrew Dancy

April 13, 1978 - April 18, 2023

A celebration of life service for the Rev. Dr. Phillip Andrew Dancy, 45, of Tyler will be held on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 3 p.m. at Green Acres Baptist Church, with Dr. Jay Ferguson officiating under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Visitation to follow.

Rev. Dancy passed away Tuesday, April 18, 2023 in Tyler. He was born April 13, 1978 in Memphis, TN to William Lavern Dancy Jr. and Brenda Hopper Martin.

Phillip was the pastor of Sylvania Church of Tyler. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with a minor in English from the University of Memphis in 2000, a Master of Divinity in Church History and Theology from Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary in 2003, and a Ph.D. in Church History with a secondary emphasis in Theology from Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary in 2007.

He authored two books, "Pity the Fool" and "What About Mary?: How A Little Known Controversy Took The Earthly Mother Of Jesus And Made Her The Mother Of God."

Phillip was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Mae and Robert Hopper; step-grandfather, Curtis Martin; paternal grandparents William and

Ilene Dancy. He is survived by his loving family including dear wife, Amanda, sons Andrew, Aiden, and Liam, all of Tyler; father Bill and stepmother Gale of Byhalia, MS; mother Brenda and stepfather Tim of Collierville, TN; brother Jason and wife Jeanni of Olive Branch, MS; grandmother Jean Martin of Collierville, TN; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, three nieces and one nephew.

Pallbearers will be Chad Barnes, Chris Brody, Scott Luhrs, Shane McGuire, Fletcher Smith, Jarrin Peeples, Len Teague, Neil Waters, the men who have carried him throughout his ministry in Tyler. Honorary pallbearers will be Jason Dancy, Chas Rowland, and all former elders of Sylvania Church during the Dancy family's time in Tyler.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a fund for the children in the name of Dancy Children's Educational Fund at Sylvania Church (www.sylvaniachurch.com).

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **24**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Green Acres Baptist Church
1607 Troup Hwy.
Tyler, TX 75701

Visitation Following Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rev. Dr. Phillip Andrew Dancy*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - April 24, 2023 at 09:45 AM

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What a beautiful tribute. I am so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers that all those wonderful memories are a comfort. May God wrap His loving arms around the entire family. 🙏🙏🙏

Sandra Wall Gray - April 25, 2023 at 04:20 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Phillip Andrew Dancy.*



April 24, 2023 at 12:38 PM



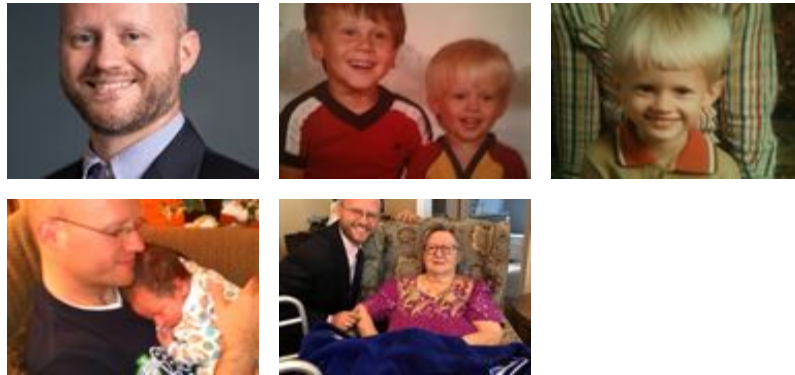
“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Phillip Andrew Dancy.*



April 24, 2023 at 10:33 AM



“ 123 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - April 24, 2023 at 09:40 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Phillip Andrew Dancy.



April 23, 2023 at 07:07 PM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Phillip Andrew Dancy.



April 22, 2023 at 06:56 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Phillip Andrew Dancy.*



April 22, 2023 at 08:16 AM

“ I had the honor of going through a portion of my PhD studies alongside Phillip. He was an exceptional scholar, preacher, and teacher. Of all my seminary friends from MABTS, Phillip seemed to outpace us all, finishing a full 2 years ahead of most of us. His intellect was as sharp as I've seen and his pen was second to none. In fact, we used to call him "the machine" because of his prolific academic abilities.

While Phillip's scholarly prowess turned heads, it was his kind and caring manner that drew people in. Phillip's easygoing character and genuine concern for others made it easy to like him, and his love for his family came through clearly in both his countenance and conversation.

Phillip was one of those people you could easily open up to and look to for solid, biblical, and loving counsel. In short, he was a true friend to others. I remember long and fruitful conversations about difficult doctrinal issues alongside of lighthearted joking about movies, music, seminary politics, and just life in general. Memories of study breaks at the seminary gym with Chas and Phillip, playing multiple games of horse in which Chas and I attempted, in vain, to best Phillip's insane shooting skills, are some of the most cherished experiences from my seminary days.

Phillip took a genuine interest in my life. He was a kind soul. I'm thankful God saw fit to overlap our lives in those days. I deeply regret allowing the years to slip by without keeping in closer touch with Phillip and his household. I know that he loved Christ and strove to honor and proclaim Him in his life and ministry. I know that Phillip unashamedly preached Jesus Christ as the Way, the Truth, and the Life, and he always declared his trust in Jesus alone for salvation. His passing stunned me. I'm deeply saddened, but my sadness is yet another testimony to his impact from those treasured days I spent alongside my friend at MABTS. He now rests from his earthly labors in glory with Christ, His ever-faithful and ever-loving Savior. I look forward to the day when we are reunited in the realm

*where earthly pain and sinful failings have been forever obliterated,
where joy and love have been perfected, and where Christ has
made all things new.*

*Amanda, you and your boys have my sympathy, prayers, and love.
AJ and I are, most respectfully, your humble servants. If we can be
of service in any way, please let us know. You and your home are in
our prayers.*

*Love in Christ,
Jody*

*Jody Anderson, Pastor
Christ Church
Guntersville, Alabama*

Jody Kent Anderson - April 21, 2023 at 11:32 PM