



Bishop Joseph Bruce Horner

December 13, 1935 - November 26, 2025

Bishop Joseph Bruce Horner, 89, of Fortville, Indiana passed away November 26, 2025. Husband of his loving wife, Sylvia A. Burton Horner, whom he married February 1, 1964. He was born December 13, 1935 to the late Joseph C. and Alice (Motsch) Horner. Joseph was a 1953 graduate of Marion High School, Marion, Indiana. He studied chemical engineering at Taylor University, Upland, Indiana and civil engineering at Indiana University, and received an associate's degree in machine repair.

Joseph was a Surveyor with his father, Joseph C. Horner in Grant County since his youth. He then enlisted in the U.S. Army and proudly served his country from 1955-1957. After serving in the military, Joseph became a journeyman for General Motors for over 39 years. He received the Apostolic salvation in the spring of 1958 and was a Pastor of Geist Apostolic Church since 1993 and Bishop of Ministers Fellowship since 2005. Joseph was also a licensed Indiana Real Estate Broker for over 50 years.

Joseph loved wildlife, especially beautiful geese, and birds. He raised white homing pigeons for many years. In the fall of each year, Joseph enjoyed the hunting season.

Visitation will be Tuesday, December 2, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service at 12:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Road, Fishers.

Joseph is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Sylvia Ann Horner; children,

Joseph Bradley Horner (Rachel), Lisa Horner Stephens, Reginald Lee Horner (Sarah); grandchildren, Izzabella Michele Horner, Joseph Asher Horner, Jaren Ley Horner, Joseph Anthony Horner, Anne-Maree Holden, Daniel Joseph Casey, Zachary David Christopher Latva (Keisha), Noah Lee Dakota Johnson, Samantha Silvianna Monique Stephens, Gracie Chaudion, Nathan Chaudion, Hannah Schram, Noah Schram and Gideon Horner; four great-grandchildren; and brothers-in-law, Congressman Dan Burton (Samia) and Indiana State Representative Woody Burton (Volley). He was preceded in death by his brothers, Robert "Bob" Horner and Mike Horner; and sister, Patricia King. www.shirleybrothers.com

Cemetery Details

Gravel Lawn Cemetery

9088 West 1025 South
Fortville, IN 46040

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 2. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel
9900 N. Allisonville Road
Fishers, IN 46038
(317) 841-7878
info@shirleybrothers.com
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

Funeral Service

DEC 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Kelly S. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bishop Joseph Bruce Horner.

Kelly S. - December 02, 2025 at 03:18 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bishop Joseph Bruce Horner.



December 01, 2025 at 01:03 PM

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“ Dan & Samia Burton purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Bishop Joseph Bruce Horner.



Dan & Samia Burton - December 01, 2025 at 12:52 PM

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“ -The Bowman Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Bishop Joseph Bruce Horner.



-The Bowman Family - November 30, 2025 at 12:49 PM



“ -The Bowman Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bishop Joseph Bruce Horner.

-The Bowman Family - November 30, 2025 at 12:49 PM



“ Tanzania Council- Bishop Arthur Fletcher purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Bishop Joseph Bruce Horner.



Tanzania Council- Bishop Arthur Fletcher - November 28, 2025 at 10:15 PM