



## Dr. Arthur Kreft

January 4, 1935 - May 31, 2016

Dr. Arthur E. Kreft, 81, of Greer, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Tuesday in Virginia at Roanoke Memorial Hospital.

Born in Chicago, IL, he was the son of the late Paul Henry Carl and Florence Elizabeth Hurd Kreft. Dr. Kreft attended and graduated from Toccoa Falls High School, Tennessee Temple University, University of Florida, and Luther Rice Seminary. He was a retired Christian school teacher, preacher, an accomplished artist, and was a member of Choice Hills Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years: Mary Elizabeth Underwood Kreft; son: Arthur James Kreft(Tanya); daughter: Mary Joy Felts(Ronald); grandchildren: Arthur John Paul Kreft(Kayla), Joshua David Kreft(Jessica), Hannah Marie Kreft, James Matthew Kreft(Anna), Christina Joy Turner(Joshua), Ronald Arthur Felts(Megan), Tiffany Elizabeth Egan(Devin); great-grandchildren: Arthur Malachi Lewis Kreft, Kenley Elizabeth Kreft, Jacqueline Leigha Kreft, Matthew Landon Kreft, Avery Grace Felts.

Along with his parents he was predeceased by a grandson, Joshua Felts.

The family will receive friends Saturday afternoon from 1pm until 2pm at Choice Hills Baptist Church.

Funeral services will be Saturday afternoon at 2pm at Choice Hills Baptist Church with burial to follow at Hopewell Baptist Church Cemetery.

The family will be at their respective homes.

# Cemetery Details

## Hopewell Baptist Church Cemetery

1919 Hwy 11  
Landrum, SC 29356

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 4. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Choice Hills Baptist Church  
5910 Buncombe Rd.  
Greenville, SC

## Church Service

JUN 4. 2:00 PM (ET)

Choice Hills Baptist Church  
5910 Buncombe Rd.  
Greenville, SC

# Tribute Wall

JF

“ Miss you so much daddy, wish you where here. BUT I know you are in a better place enjoying your Lord and Saviour. LOVE YOU, your only daughter. Joy

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**Joy Felts** - February 22, 2018 at 02:00 PM

LL

“ Dr. Kreft hired me for my first teaching position at Dade Christian School, and now, 45 years later, I am still teaching in Christian education. He was a kind man, a mentor, and he had such artistic ability. I will never forget the patriotic program at Dade with the painted murals and the huge flag that unfurled from the ceiling, and so many memories. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
Linda Liskey

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**Linda Liskey** - June 06, 2016 at 09:44 AM

LS

“ Dear Mary,  
I am praying for you. I do sympathize with you as it was just over a year ago that Walt went to be with his Lord and Savior. The Lord will meet your every need. I hope you will feel His presence as I do. He promised to never leave you or forsake you. I have good memories of serving The Lord with you folks. May God give you grace and strength in the coming days. I will be praying for you.  
Love to you,  
Leta Sutherland

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**Leta Sutherland** - June 03, 2016 at 10:00 PM

CV

“ Cummings Creek Victory Chapel. West Virginia purchased the Basket of Joy for the family of Dr. Arthur Kreft.



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**Cummings Creek Victory Chapel. West Virginia** - June 03, 2016 at 02:49 PM

NA

“ Norman and Carol Alderman purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dr. Arthur Kreft.



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**Norman and Carol Alderman** - June 03, 2016 at 02:34 PM

CS

“ Mary, James and Joy and families my prayers are with you at this time. God is good, and I am sure He is your comfort and strength at this time. Love and prayers, Carolyn Simpson

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**Carolyn Simpson** - June 02, 2016 at 08:41 PM

DB

“ Dr. Kreft was a leader in the Christian school movement. His work at Dade Christian School in Miami was an inspiration to many. Dr. Kreft was school principal at a time of amazing growth. Churches all over America took note of what was happening in Miami. Dr. Kreft was also a pioneer in the development of Christian school curriculum. He has been promoted to heaven and is now home with the Lord! David Bedell

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**David Bedell** - June 02, 2016 at 07:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Arthur Kreft.*



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June 02, 2016 at 04:01 PM



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June 02, 2016 at 12:36 PM



“ *Jim&Jodie Winget lit a candle in memory of Dr. Arthur Kreft*



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**Jim&Jodie Winget** - June 02, 2016 at 09:23 AM



“ *Earl Banks lit a candle in memory of Dr. Arthur Kreft*



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**Earl Banks** - June 02, 2016 at 04:25 AM

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“ *Tina Banks MacArthur lit a candle in memory of Dr. Arthur Kreft*



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**Tina Banks MacArthur** - June 02, 2016 at 04:24 AM

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“ *Pamela Jean Miller lit a candle in memory of Dr. Arthur Kreft*



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**Pamela Jean Miller** - June 01, 2016 at 08:45 PM

PM

*Mrs Keft, James, and Joy, May the Lord comfort you in your time of need. I am deeply sorry for you lost. I known all of since Joy and I started Kingarten together at DCS. remember this is not good bye.*

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**Pamela Jean Miller** - June 01, 2016 at 08:48 PM

PW

*Ed and I were sorry to hear of your loss. We have some wonderful memories of DCS and you and Dr. Kreft. We are praying for you.*  
*Penny Ward*

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**Penny Ward** - June 02, 2016 at 02:24 PM

RF

*We have been friends with Art and Mary Kreft since we were both in the same church in Greenville, SC, many, many years ago. We became family when our son married their daughter Joy. They have meant a whole lot to us through all these years. God has greatly used this precious, Godly couple in several ministries. Art will certainly be missed! Our thoughts and prayers go out to Mary, Joy, James and all the family!*

*Love to all,  
Ron and Pat Felts*

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**Ron and Pat Felts** - June 04, 2016 at 08:51 PM

SR

*Mary, I just found you on Face Book. I am sorry to read of your losing Arthur. He was a fine man. The two of you have held a special place in my memories through the years. Do you still sing? I hope so. You always sang from your heart, with so much meaning. Our Church was blessed in having you and Arthur. Kindest of thoughts to you, always.  
Shirley Johnson Reid*

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**Shirley Reid** - September 03, 2016 at 03:45 PM

JJ

“*Mary, I treasure the memories of both of you and the services at Victory Chapel. God bless your family*

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**Janus Jones** - June 01, 2016 at 08:05 PM