



## Mr. Carl Edward Bibbs

August 28, 1930 - November 29, 2025

Carl Edwards Bibbs was born on August 28, 1930, in Helena, AR to Idella Jones and John Wesley Bibbs. He departed this life on November 29, 2025.

Carl graduated from Eliza Miller High School in Helena, AR in 1949. He was instrumental in leading the “Golden Buccaneers” to State Football Championship in 1947. Eager to serve his country and explore the world, Carl joined the United States Air Force shortly after graduation in June 1949. During his time in the Air Force, he received numerous medals and awards for meritorious service. He served in the Vietnam and Korean Wars.

Having served faithfully and honorably for 20 years, Carl retired from the United States Air Force on September 1, 1969.

Proverbs 22:6 that says, “Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it”. His mother brought him to Mount Tabor under the spiritual leadership of Rev. J. G. Bew. Carl confessed his hope in Christ and was baptized at an early age.

Life lead him in many directions, but after returning to Helena, AR, Carl rededicated his life to Christ and returned to his beginnings. Carl received many awards for his dedicated services to the church. He served on the Board of Trustee and played an integral role in establishing a scholarship for

graduating high school seniors at Mount Tabor. Being an avid cook, Carl served on the kitchen committee for many years. His delicious meals brought people together.

He enjoyed joking and watching people smile and laugh. Carl was an honorable member of Alpha Lodge #233.

He leaves to cherish his memories his wife Dianne of 26 years; his children: Lawrence Bibbs of Milwaukee, WI, Dennis Bibbs of Clearwater, FL, Patrice Rayford of Pensacola, FL, Carlette Smiley of Pensacola, FL, Carl Bibbs II of Vacaville, CA, Gregory Bibbs of Los Angeles, CA, Kia Smith of Broken Arrow, OK, Alex Jackson of Fayetteville, AR and Calvin Brady, Jr. of Fayetteville, AR; and a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, in-laws and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery - Birdeye

3600 AR-16  
Cherry Valley , AR 72324

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Mount Tabor Baptist Church  
1160 Holly Street  
Helena , AR 72342

## Service

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## Burial

DEC **11**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Manitia M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Carl Edward Bibbs.*

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**Manitia M.** - December 09, 2025 at 02:01 PM

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“ *Chris, Deborah & Christiana Cooney planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Carl Edward Bibbs.*

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**Chris, Deborah & Christiana Cooney** - December 09, 2025 at 01:43 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Carl Edward Bibbs.*



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