



## Timothy David Mertens

January 28, 1965 - January 4, 2026

Timothy David Mertens, age 60, of Adel, passed away on Sunday, January 4th, 2026 at Tift Regional Medical Center in Tifton, GA.

Born of January 28, 1965 in Orange County, California to the late Theodore D. Mertens and June Brooks Mertens- he spent his life devoted to his faith and his family. A true man of God- his ministry was his life. He was a minister for Open Doors Christian Homes and attended Open Doors Baptist Church. He was a supporter of Celebrate Recovery and walked with many on their road to recovery. He was a family man- he loved his nephew, nieces, and great nephew and nieces more than words and would visit any chance he could. He committed his life to others and made so many feel loved, important, and able.

Survivors include his brothers- Tad Mertens and Michael Courtney Mertens, sister- Karla Mertens, nephews and nieces- Brian & Alftibelis Mertens, Miranda Mertens, Jesse & Mallory Mertens, aunt- Dorris Lorimer, cousin- Beth Cremer, and great nieces & nephews- Matthew, Parker, Eleanor, and Henry.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, January 10th at 12:00pm at Open Door Baptist Church. A meal will be provided after for all who want to come, celebrate, and fellowship.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

JAN 10. 12:00 PM.

Open Door Baptist Church- 107 Living Way Rd, Adel, GA 31620

# Tribute Wall



“ Lit a candle 🕯️ in Remembrance



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**Elena Taylor** - February 16 at 11:06 PM



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**Elena Taylor** - February 16 at 11:02 PM



“ He will surely be missed. I met him some years ago and brother Charlie's. He was my friend then he's my friend now heaven has just gained another angel for sure. Love you, bro.

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**Ricky Ray** - January 11 at 06:48 PM



“ Tim was a great man. He was a mentor to a lot of man and I was very blessed to know him.

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**Dawn Porter** - January 09 at 06:45 PM

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“ You were one of the first men I know to show true love to my son. Love of the Father is what you showed to so many people. That love was real in you and with no judgement just hope and love is what you shared with others. You made a difference in our lives and I will always be thankful I knew you. Thank you for letting the Father to use you to be an example of a good leader and a friend and Father to many. You will be missed Tim. Until we meet again friend. We will see you in heaven .



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**Temple Mcgee** - January 08 at 11:06 PM

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“ Gone way too soon my Brother...the people you helped while here on earth will be your blessings in heaven. I thank God for our paths that crossed that lead us to become friends. Go rest high on that mountain...your work here is done. Your friend,Olan Webb

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**Olan Webb** - January 07 at 09:08 PM

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“ Tim and I met 10 plus years ago when we needed help for a catering event. We clicked immediately and remained very good friends. We shared many laughs and good times. I will truly miss you my friend but I know you are resting in the arms of our Lord and Savior. 💜💜💜

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**Janier Jones** - January 06 at 12:21 PM

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“ I met Tim in May 2019 when my son made the decision to move to Open Door after being released from prison. Tim sat and talked with us and spent time explaining what he expected and how the program worked.



After spending so many years going through the ups and downs of addiction with my son, I didn't have much hope. When I left that meeting, I had hope again. I knew Tim couldn't save my son -- only God could -- but I knew he would do his very best to help. My son is now married with a family of his own. I am so thankful that Tim and Open Door was there when we needed them. I will be praying for the family and friends he has left behind. Thank you, God, for Tim's life and the impact he made on others.

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**Teresa Hollingsworth** - January 06 at 10:43 AM

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We knew Tim from the business he had with his crew of individuals trying to make a better life for themselves! They did an amazing renovation on my parents kitchen & dining room area which we still love and use to this date! God rest your soul my friend. It was a pleasure working with you and your team!

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**Ollie Howell** - January 09 at 05:14 PM