



Bennett S. Chinniah

September 2, 1935 - December 9, 2024

CHINNIAH, Bennet Savundranathan - Passed away peacefully on Monday, December 9th, 2024 at age 89 surrounded by his family in Baltimore, Maryland. He was the loving husband of Damayanti Rani Chinniah (deceased). He is survived by his two sons David Chinniah and wife Renuka, Tim Chinniah and wife Sharla and grandchildren Analise and Joshua.

Bennet was born on September 2nd, 1935 in Hikkaduwa, Sri Lanka and grew up in Batticaloa. He was the youngest son of William Duncan Thurainayagam Chinniah and Mary Nesam Eliyathamby. Bennet was preceded in death by his brother William Arulnathan and sisters Joyce Nesamalar, Gladys Navamalar and Nita Thiraviamalar.

Bennet was an active member of Lake Avenue Church since 1984 when he and his family moved to Pasadena, California from Sri Lanka. He was a member of the King's Courier's group at the church. Bennet (and his wife) was also served on the prayer ministry at Lake Avenue Church.

For almost a decade, Bennet was a caregiver to his wife Damayanti who suffered from progressive dementia. Both Bennet and his late wife Damayanti moved to Maryland in January 2022 to live with his son Timothy, wife Sharla and their children when it became difficult to live independently. He was lovingly cared for at their home until the past two months when he needed to

be moved to a hospice care facility due to his needs.

His memorial service has been postponed. Due notice of day and time of the rescheduled service will be given.

Faith Christian Fellowship

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Baltimore, MD 21201

He will be missed by all close to him especially his family.

Previous Events

Memorial service

OCT 11. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Although I was not blessed to know this dear saint very well, I do know the product of his deep love for the Lord and his commitment to following Him. His son and family speak volumes of the legacy he leaves and the priority of loving Christ and His world. I was humbled by his love of communicating with Christ in prayer and his concern for the global church. Well done, dear brother. As your sons and family and grandchildren continue in your same passion for Jesus, we know Christ will be exalted in your memory as well as in your life.

Deborah Dortzbach - September 27, 2025 at 04:35 AM