



## Pastor Ted Goodnough

March 26, 1951 - November 6, 2018

Pastor Ted Goodnough died peacefully on November 6, 2018 at the age of 67. He was born in Endicott, New York on March 26, 1951 to Theodore Leroy Goodnough and Meriam Louise Corbin Goodnough. Ted was a retired journeyman electrician, being a member of the IBEW Local #357 in Las Vegas, Nevada, worked as electrical engineer in Alaska and a electrical inspector in Oregon. He was the former owner of Desert Horizon Electric in Sierra Vista. Ted graduated with honors from Wayland Baptist College. He served as an associate pastor of Tree of Life Christian Fellowship and for the last 8 years served as Pastor of The Church of Sunsites. On November 25, 1970 in Las Vegas, Nevada he married Peggy J. Smith who survives him. He is also survived by his children Anthony (Karen) Goodnough of North Augusta, South Carolina, Amy ( Tom) Barker of Sonoita, Arizona and Michael Goodnough of Phoenix, Arizona. His surviving grandchildren are Xaqaria, Alissa, Raelee, Rylan, Andrew, Ila, Maggie, Abigail, Remington, Jacob, Aubrielle and Olivia and his great granddaughter Summer. His brother Gene ( Kathy) Goodnough of Las Vegas, Nevada also survives him. He was preceded in death by his parents , a sister Greta Powell and his brother Gary Goodnough. Memorial services will be 11:00 am on Saturday, November 17, 2018 at the Tree of Life Christian Fellowship, 2232 N. Ocotillo Lane, Whetstone-Huachuca City, Arizona. A luncheon will follow the memorial at the church. Family burial will take place at Cochise Memory Gardens. Contributions may be made in his name to CareNet Pregnancy Center of

Cochise County. You may express condolences at [www.westlawnchapelmortuary.com](http://www.westlawnchapelmortuary.com) Services entrusted to Westlawn Chapel, Mortuary and Crematory of Willcox, Arizona.

# Cemetery Details

## Cochise Memory Gardens

5590 E. Charleston Road  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

# Previous Events

## Memorial service

NOV 17. 11:00 AM (MT)

Tree of Life Christian Fellowship  
2232 N. Ocotillo Lane  
Huachuca City, AZ 85616  
(520) 234-6060

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pastor Ted Goodnough*

January 30, 2023 at 12:50 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Pastor Ted Goodnough.*



November 17, 2018 at 12:03 AM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Pastor Ted Goodnough.*



November 15, 2018 at 12:32 AM



“ *From Care Net Pregnancy Center of Cochise County purchased the White Sympathy Baskets for the family of Pastor Ted Goodnough.*



**From Care Net Pregnancy Center of Cochise County -**  
November 14, 2018 at 11:13 AM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Pastor Ted Goodnough.*



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November 13, 2018 at 05:58 PM



“ *Our prayers are with you, Peggy and family, in this unexpected loss of your husband and father and the shock that comes with it. We can't even begin to imagine what you are going through, but we know you will go through it comforted in the palm of God's hand. We remember Ted as one of the most enthusiastic ministers we've ever sat under, so excited with what he had studied the past week that he just bubbled over with passion for the Word of God! Pastor Ted taught us that even with intense study "we see through a glass darkly," but now all the treasures and understanding of the Scriptures are open to him--imagine how delighted he is with that!! We also pray that you can allow yourselves to retreat and snuggle into the comfort of the Lord when times get rough and lonely so that your hearts can receive His healing balm.*

*Will and Vivian Stoppel*

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**William and Vivian Stoppel** - November 13, 2018 at 04:57 PM

PB

“ *What a shock to learn of the passing of Ted Goodnough. Ted and Peggy have been an inspiration to everyone who knows them. Peggy, I am so very sorry for your loss. Ted was loved by so many and I hope that will bring you peace and pride. It was an honor to have known him.*

*God Bless all of you in the days to come. You will be in prayer.*

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**Paula Baker** - November 13, 2018 at 04:21 PM

BG

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Ted was a good man. I thought very highly of him. Peggy and kids I will miss him. He is in heaven cracking jokes and talking to everyone. I knew he was very religious he shared things about God with me. It helped me very much. God bless. Each and everyone of you during this hard time.*



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**Brenda Gaskill** - November 13, 2018 at 01:31 PM

BG

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**Brenda Gaskill** - November 13, 2018 at 12:19 PM

DS

“ Dear Peggy and family,  
We are sorry to hear of Ted's passing, but know he is so happy now - probably cracking jokes with the Apostle Paul! You, Ted, and The Church at Sunsites were a very important and influential part of our lives the two years we lived in Sunsites after serving 10 years on the mission field in Poland. You ALL took us in, loved on us, became our friends in Christ and helped us re-enter American culture - the cowboy way! What a testimony to the pastor's heart you and Ted have! We are a part of the family of God, and He surrounds you now with His love and His family, and He still has good things in store for you. May you receive His grace daily as you walk through this season of great change.

Love and Blessings,  
Dennis and Linda Sheehan

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Dennis & Linda Sheehan - November 13, 2018 at 09:39 AM



“ Sympathy Arrangement In Basket (Large) - Multicolor Pastel Mixed Flowers was purchased for the family of Pastor Ted Goodnough.



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November 12, 2018 at 09:24 PM

SB

“ Dear Cousin Teddy~ I was so saddened to learn of your passing. When I think of you, I recall your infectious smile, your gentle voice, and your persistent bent towards humor. Although distance kept us physically apart, I have carried you in my heart. I'm finding solace in knowing you are in heaven and can only imagine what your homecoming must have been like: seeing Jesus face-to-face and being met by all the relatives and friends who were so happy to see you once again! I also look forward to our heavenly reunion.

Dear Peggy and kids: Although we only saw each other a few times, I want to say how impressed I was by the very apparent loving bond between each member of your family. Hold onto one another. Rest in the truth that God loves you and will guide you through this. Know you will see Teddy again, in God's time.

My love, thoughts and prayers are with you~  
Cousin Sue

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**Susan M. Burgess** - November 12, 2018 at 04:15 PM

MH

“ Dear Peggy and family,  
I am thankful for you all coming into my life! Pastor Ted gave so many wonderful opportunities and encouragement to learn all we could about God and His word. Ted was a great teacher and always encouraged me in ministry. Peggy, I have fond memories of our worship practices together with Ted among many other special times! My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Love,  
Moira Hagerlin

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**Moira Hagerlin** - November 12, 2018 at 03:55 PM

JL

“ Jessica Lincoln lit a candle in memory of Pastor Ted Goodnough



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**Jessica lincoln** - November 12, 2018 at 03:49 PM

JL

“ Dear Peggy and family my deepest condolence to you and family, pastor Ted was wonderful teacher and pastor, may your heart find the peace knowing that his is with our Lord. love Jessica and John.


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**Jessica lincoln** - November 12, 2018 at 03:48 PM



“ Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Pastor Ted Goodnough.



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November 12, 2018 at 10:40 AM

 Joanne  
Wagner

“ Peggy and family, We am saddened to hear that our Lord has called Ted to his heavenly home far too early. We know Ted was conflicted by his call home from his Lord and God, as he was such a precious gift to all who knew him here on earth, but he was and still is a faithful servant. He was not only a very respected and valued customer of our family business in Sierra Vista, but a wonderful friend whose humor, wit and wisdom was always enjoyed by us. We pray that you are comforted knowing he is now without pain and walking with Jesus forever. Heaven is so much brighter today and a lot more fun with Ted's presence. God bless and keep your family.



*Ron & Joanne Wagner*

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**Joanne Wagner** - November 11, 2018 at 10:57 AM

KD

“ *Very sorry to hear of Ted's passing. I knew Ted for several years as we worked in the construction industry together. We also shared a love of motorcycles and in 2005 he graciously agreed to marry my husband and I in a "motorcycle" ceremony on his panhead! He was not sure he could get it started, with the kickstart, but it finally did, and he performed a beautiful ceremony for my husband and I in 2005. Ted was such a positive person and always there for whomever needed him. He spoke frequently of the love of his family. I am sorry for your loss Peg and family, and my thoughts are with you in this difficult time. I hope fun and loving memories sustain you through this time. Peace and Love. Kim (Herrmann) and Steve Dodson.*



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**Kim Dodson** - November 11, 2018 at 10:41 AM

 Amy  
Barker

🙏 *thank you Kim.*💕

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**Amy Barker** - November 14, 2018 at 02:47 PM

KB

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**kim birkmeyer** - November 11, 2018 at 08:08 AM

JO

“ Prayed: Lord lead me from Europe (30 years) to a church/pastor that preaches expositionally, rightly divides the word of truth, sacred hymns, week-long fellowship, authentic sermons in shoes, transparency, a man, a friend without guile, pretense and judgment; and his wife, aka his “rib”, a wonderful soul and ministry mate/match who sang beautiful music together while working tirelessly throughout the community/church of Sunsites. Simply amazed to find such a couple and church in a very small village in SE Arizona. It’s an honor and joy to speak of Ted & Peggy to our mentor and friends of John MacArthur but even more importantly to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who recently welcomed Ted into the His presence with-- “well done good and faithful servant”. Thank you Lord for Ted and his life of lasting contribution and please give Peggy and the family the peace that passes all understanding. In His grace and love, Jerry & Lynette Orr

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**Jerry & Lynette Orr** - November 11, 2018 at 12:07 AM

DR

“ Ted was like a little brother to me. He always called me Tex. One Sunday, before the service began, Ted and I were standing in the "intersection" of the entry, Sunday school room, and the kitchen. I guess both of us had been talking to others, but we suddenly looked at one another and big smiles popped up. I said "I love this church!" and Ted replied, "This is such a wonderful fellowship!" and it is. These that Ted guided for 8 years is not a congregation, but a fellowship of like minded Christians who love each other. Thank you so much, dear pastor, and don't you dare "dog-ear" any pages in Heaven.  
With much love, Dottie Rogers

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**Dottie Rogers** - November 10, 2018 at 04:58 PM

GA

“ I met Pastor Ted a year ago when my husband and I came to the church at sunsites. He was so warm and kind. He never judged us and Pastor Ted was the person who walked the walk and talked the talk. He said what he meant and meant what he said. He loved the Lord so much and he was always funny and was never afraid to take the opportunity to play a joke or two on me. I loved this man and the love that he showed through Jesus Christ. He truly was a man of God and now he's going to get his crown his glory. I miss him so much. It just isn't the same knowing that he will not be there for any guidance or just to hear his funny, bad jokes. Rest in Peace my Brother. I know that you are now in heaven having the time of your life. Love you.



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Gail - November 10, 2018 at 12:34 PM

KJ

“ Ted was more than just a preacher, he was my truest friend. Always trying to encourage me and was with me when I was confined to the hospital even when I did not know anything about what was going on due to my illness. He is my brother in the truest sense of the word but I must confess I am jealous of his early home going. Brother Ted always was a step ahead of me. I am glad to know he will be waiting when I get to go home. Miss you Brother. Take heart Miss Peggy, Jesus is faithful.  
Kim

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Kimmy Jones - November 10, 2018 at 12:27 PM

CK

“ I will never meet a better man than Ted. He set the example that we should all try to follow. A few words that come to mind that would describe him are patient, forgiving, caring, honest and generous; almost to a fault. Ted taught me so many things that I thought I already knew. The time we spent together was always positive, even when I was being negative. If not for Ted I wouldn't be where or who I am today. He had a way of looking at things that I wish I could duplicate. He never had a bad thing to say about anybody; he found good in everything and everyone. I can only recall one time in the 10 years I knew Ted that he got angry. It wasn't 5 minutes later and he was apologizing to everyone involved, even though we all had it coming; he felt worse about it than we did. Whenever anyone had a problem Ted was there to help guide them through it. He would stop whatever he was doing and actually listen to what you had to say. After that he always had the best answer, whether or not it was what you wanted to hear, it was always the right choice. This world was a much better place with him in it. There is so much more that I could say but if you knew Ted you already know that. Even though Ted was a much better man than I will ever be, knowing him has made me a better man. I will miss him every day for the rest of my life. I know that my very good friend is where he always longed to be, with our Lord and Savior! We all love you brother!

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**Chris Kovarcik** - November 10, 2018 at 10:25 AM

 Amy Barker

Love you Chris:) he sure cared a lot for you. We talked about you a few days before he went to heaven.

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**Amy Barker** - November 14, 2018 at 04:36 PM

BK

“ My condolences to the family of Pastor Ted. He was a great asset to the Sunsites Community!

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**Barbara Kocevar** - November 10, 2018 at 07:59 AM

KD

“ I met Ted at a Men's Bible Conference his church hosted not too long ago at the Church At Sunsites. This was an encouraging man who loved the Lord! Just being around him inspired people, including me, to press on and fight the good fight of the faith. His zeal for Jesus and commitment to sound theology was infectious. It's sad to see such an impactful man for the Kingdom be whisked home so early. But my goodness, to be where he is right now...

*Ken from Douglas, AZ*

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**Ken Duffy** - November 09, 2018 at 08:13 PM

SS

“ We first knew Ted and Peggy in the early eighties when he pastored a church in Benson, Arizona. We became good friends and our children, who were close in ages, also became friends. We lost touch with them when they moved away from Benson, but thought of them often. We reconnected with them about two years ago, when friends invited us to The Church At Sunsites and told us that we had to come and hear the pastor preach. To our delight, we discovered that the pastors were our long lost friends, Ted and Peggy! I know that God was smiling at this wonderful reunion. We only regret that we didn't re-discover them sooner, but God has a reason for His timing.

*We are blessed to have known Ted, and blessed to know Peggy and their children.*

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**Susan A. Smith** - November 09, 2018 at 06:42 PM

EH

*“ I met ted in the mid 80's when he had a tool bag and a beat up old truck and watched him grow to DHE. We rode together when he got the green shovelhead. Ted was a man I turned to for advice both personal and professionally. I will miss the huge amount of laughter we shared everytime we saw each other.*

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**ed hooper** - November 09, 2018 at 06:24 PM



*“ Dear Peggy and family,  
Naaman and I are so grateful that Ted and your family were a part of our lives.  
He will be in our hearts forever.  
Ted, “God be with you ‘til we meet again.”  
With love and blessings to you all.*

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**Anna Nickell** - November 09, 2018 at 06:11 PM

SR

*“Grief never ends, but it changes. It’s a passage, not a place to stay. Grief is not a sign of weakness, nor a lack of faith...It is the price of love.”  
Ted will be so missed, especially by his wonderful family.  
Ted and Peggy pastored my home church away from home. I always looked forward to being with the Sunsites fellowship.  
God definitely greeted Ted with “Good and faithful servant”. God’s peace and comfort to Peggy and the whole family. Sally Roden*

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**Sally Roden** - November 11, 2018 at 09:31 AM



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November 09, 2018 at 05:03 PM

CK

“ I am sincerely thankful to have known Pastor Ted and honored to have been in his congregation at The Church At Sunsites. His sense of humor, preaching style, and sincere love of God, made him one of the most effective pastors I've had the privilege of knowing. My prayer is that his family will have strength, courage, and peace of mind through the difficult days ahead. Vaya con dios Peggy, Amy, Tony, Mike, and families.

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**Cathy Jo Koester** - November 09, 2018 at 04:57 PM

RD

“ Peggy & family;

*Ted has been one of my VERY BEST friends and brother in the LORD for many years;*

*He will surely be missed. Peggy remember that we will always be here to help you in any way you need, this includes Tony, Michael and Amy.*

*He was always moving his office, so I would have to hunt him down wherever he was hiding.*

*He was the very best SS teacher I ever had. We LOVE all of you very much;*

*Richard & Karen Davis*

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**Richard & Karen Davis** - November 09, 2018 at 04:10 PM

DA

“ He was my friend, my pastor, teacher. I miss you. My heart fills with sorrow for you Peggy and your family, love you lots



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**Diane Arnold** - November 09, 2018 at 03:42 PM

NF

“ Our deepest felt sorrow for the family and friends. He will be a huge void in our lives.

*Faccio family*

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**Nita Faccio** - November 09, 2018 at 02:27 PM

Amy  
Barker

“ Love you daddy... "I I love love you you" Thank you for being such a great father and for teaching us to love and obey our heavenly Father. We are so glad you're walking in heaven with Jesus. "I can only imagine, what it'd be like, when I'd walk by your side,...surrounded by your glory, what will my heart feel? Will I dance for you Jesus, or in awe of you, be still? Will I stand in your presence or to my knees will I fall? Will I sing hallelujah, will I be able to speak at all?" I'm sure you're doing all of that! I'll cherish all the moments we had and will remember your wisdom, jokes and advice and your encouraging words. Thank you for being my daddy, my teacher, and my personal Preacher. Like we shared with each other in the hospital, "When you get to heaven, tell Jesus I said hi and I'll see him later, hopefully not too soon, but soon" ;) xoxo. Soon and very soon, we going to see the King:)



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**Amy Barker** - November 09, 2018 at 01:47 PM

GG

*Whenever we were blessed to see Ted he always mentioned how much he loved his family. He cherished his wife and children, and his eyes would light up when he spoke of his grandchildren. He loved and was always concerned about his big brother. He cared tremendously about his Church family and was a genuine example of "Christ like love". He not only "talked the talk but he walked the walk". Ted's untimely death is a reminder that we should live as unselfishly as he did .... so, too, that we may return one day to our Heavenly Father! We love you Ted...until we meet again!*

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**Gene and Kathi Goodnough** - November 10, 2018 at 11:14 AM

FF

“ *From Cousins Dick & Jack Goodnough families purchased the Red, White & Blue Mixed Fireside Basket for the family of Pastor Ted Goodnough.*



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**From Cousins Dick & Jack Goodnough families** - November 09, 2018 at 08:16 AM