

A RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF REVEREND CHARLES EDWARD KIRBY

Reverend Charles Edward Kirby is the son of the late Reverend Olia and Mary Kirby. He was born on August 5, 1928 in Cadiz, Kentucky.

Reverend Charles Edward Kirby was the founder and pastor Southern Star Baptist Church which was organized in 1955.

Married: Bettye Merriweather Kirby and he have 3 children, Linda, Stephanie and Darrius Kirby.

Reverend Kirby studied at Simmons College and was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree in 1976.

Under the leadership of Reverend Charles E. Kirby Southern Star Missionary Baptist Church, located at 2304 Algonquin Parkway was purchased in September 1969. Later six additional properties on Algonquin Parkway and Dixdale Avenue were also purchased.

In 2003 C.E. Kirby Multipurpose Center of Excellence was built at 2308 Algonquin Parkway.

Reverend Charles E. Kirby retired as pastor of Southern Star Missionary Baptist Church in December 2010 after 52 years of a very successful ministry.

Reverend Charles E. Kirby's life and service to Louisville Metro be honored with a street sign on Algonquin Parkway beginning at 23rd Street and going West on Algonquin Parkway to Cypress in Louisville, Kentucky designated as "Reverend Charles E. Kirby Parkway". Department of Public Works is hereby directed to effect the same practicable following the passage of this resolution.