

**Luther Duane Sunderland**, known as Duane to family and friends, became a member of the South Apalachin Baptist Church in 1976. Although he was an aerospace engineer for General Electric, his avocation was many years of intense study of scientific evidences relating to theories on origins.



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He appeared frequently on radio and television sharing that creation and evolution should have equal stature in scientific classrooms and debated well known evolutionists such as Isaac Asimov, Carl Sagan and Stephen J. Gould. He lectured over 500 times on three continents to civic organizations, state and congressional legislative committees, scientific organizations and many universities on this topic.

He also assisted the New York State Board of Regents in a study on how the theories could legally be taught in the public schools. He is author of an audio-visual presentation, "Scientific Evidences on Origins: What Do the Fossils Say?" and the book "Darwin's Enigma - Fossils and Other Problems".

While at South Apalachin Baptist Church, he served as choir director, song leader and soloist until his pre-mature death at age 57, after a year long bout with cancer.