

XIV. MEMORIALS

IN MEMORIAM

MINISTERS

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Kathryn Mackenzie
James B. Palmer, Sr.
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Effie Vaughn
Dorris Youngblood

C.W. Anderson

C.W. Anderson began his ministry as a student local pastor at McMillan in the Texas Conference. He became a member of the North Texas Conference in 1983 and was appointed to Warren United Methodist Church for three years. He then was appointed to Clarksville/St. Paul until his retirement in 2011. Rev. Anderson passed away on December 17, 2011 and services were held December 21, 2011 at McMillan UMC, Fort Worth, TX.



Douglas Ewing Jackson

Rev. Dr. Douglas Ewing Jackson born July 4, 1919 was the first of his Kentucky family to attend high school. Encouraged by his parents always to learn as much as he could, he read every book in the public library and graduated high school. An avid, brilliant student affected by the Great Depression, nevertheless he was able through benevolence of the Methodist Church to attend college. He earned four degrees: magna cum laude BA from Asbury College, B. Div. with distinction from Garrett Theological Seminary, MA and PhD from Northwestern University. As a child Dr. Jackson constantly studied the Bible with his deeply religious parents, early leaders in recognizing racial equality: all God's children are to be respected and valued. So they went to every church in town, walking everywhere without reprisal because of the respect afforded them. Dr. Jackson committed his life to Christ at 11 and preached his first sermon at 13, wearing a white linen suit made by his mother. Dr. Jackson and his new bride, Thella, held a number of pastorates in the Methodist Church in Indiana and Chicago while pursuing his graduate studies, and continued his ministerial career through the North Texas Conference and through Sunday school teaching at Highland Park UMC.



Dr. Jackson's academic teaching was ministry as well, using his gifts, knowledge and wisdom to pass on to his students the tenets of faithful living, social justice, and care for all God's children. He had never forgotten the horror of a lynching he had witnessed by the Ku Klux Klan early in his life. He taught at Emory University, 1948–1954, then at Perkins School of Theology at SMU, 1954–1985. He centered on how the Church at large and individuals as faithful disciples must relate to the world in its constantly changing environment. He taught eager black students informally and the first black seminarians at Perkins. He instructed cadets at the Dallas Police Academy, debated racial questions with John Birchers, and was at the forefront of recognizing the addictiveness rather than sinfulness of alcoholism. Dr. Jackson was legendary for conducting classes humbly, simply sharing the vast knowledge he had without any sign of ego and not using notes at all to prompt his memory. Those qualities brought him the Distinguished Faculty Award from the SMU Alumni Association and the M award from the student body. An avid basketball fan who held SMU season tickets, his greatest joy was sharing the games with family, especially his great-grandchildren.

Kathryn Mackenzie

Kathryn and Ken Mackenzie were married in 1942 in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Within three months, Ken became First Lieutenant Mackenzie in World War II. Upon his return, Kathryn and Ken had four children. They were relocated to Paris, Texas in 1968 when "Katy" enrolled in the Course of Study School at Perkins School of Theology at SMU. Katy became part of the North Texas Conference in

1981 and served at Dike until its closure in 1983. In 1986 she was ordained as a deacon and served at Enloe from 1983 until her retirement in 1987.

James B. Palmer, Sr.

Jim earned degrees from Grove City College, Garrett Theological Seminary, and Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University. In his over 63 years of ministry he pastored 18 different congregations, including 4 years as Pastor of the English Speaking Church in La Paz Bolivia at the Institute Americana de La Paz. He authored three books: Red Poncho and Big Boots, Prayer for the Day, July Gospel Jubilee, and co-authored Journey to Dignity with Bishop Eugenio Poma. The Pomas have been considered a part of the Palmer family since the beginning of Jim's ministry in Bolivia.



Jim was a Chaplain with the McKinney Medical Center, Presbyterian Hospital of Allen, The Allen Police Department, McKinney Animal Hospital, and an Associate Chaplain with the McKinney Police and Fire Department. When not serving people in ministry, Jim could be found on the golf course, usually searching for lost golf balls that he would later offer for sale on an "honorary basis". Proceeds from the golf ball sales supported the children at Grace Children's Hospital. He enjoyed classical music, playing the organ, and hunting. He was a very good shot and was very proud of his concealed carry permit.

Jim will also be remembered by many for his tenacious faithfulness to God by arriving at the church or ministry event well in advance of the starting time. The absence of his early morning schedule leaves many with the question, "Who will let God into church in the morning now?"

Elwood Spencer Poore

Woody was born in Haverhill, MA on February 12, 1922 to Edwin and Lucy Brown Poore. He graduated from Cornell College and then from Bangor Theological Seminary. He married Ruth Grace Webster on September 3, 1948. He served churches in Maine, Iowa, and Texas. He graduated with advanced degrees in Music History and Sacred Music from SMU.

Woody was Pastor Emeritus at First United Methodist Church, Gainesville, Texas. In his retirement he also served as chaplain at Lake Kiowa. His service in ministry spanned over 60 years, touching the lives of hundreds of families.



Woody enjoyed people, collecting stamps, and postcards and music. He was a 32nd Degree Mason, Lion's Club member, veteran (Army Signal Corps), teacher, community volunteer and life-long student.

Edgar James Bell

Edgar James Bell was born in Akron, Ohio on September 28, 1939 to Edgar and Alberta Welch Bell. Jim graduated from high school in 1957 in Akron and joined the Air Force in 1958. He served for 20 years active duty, including a tour in Germany 1962-1965, and service in Vietnam, 1968-1969. In 1971, he earned the rating of master instructor on aircraft electrical systems. He retired from the Air Force in 1978 and worked for Northrup World Wide Aircraft Services and Dyna Corps in Wichita Falls for 12 years.

In 1987 Jim entered the ministry and was appointed as a local Methodist pastor in Wichita Falls. He served as pastor of Friberg-Cooper UMC for 16 years and at Bryson-Perrin UMC for a total of four years. With a strong desire to help others, Jim was compelled to serve his country and community as a volunteer in many activities. A few include the CONCERN Helpline, and volunteer driver (logging over 800 hours) taking veterans to the VA Hospital in Oklahoma City.

Allie Aikin

Allie Aikin was born August 26, 1919 in Annona, Texas to Charles Robert and Clara Cherry Holloway. Allie, a resident of Clarksville, was a homemaker, a great cook, loved her family, gardening and taking care of others. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. L. J. Aikin.

Lucille Greenhaw

Lucille Greenhaw, a preacher's wife for 70 years, was born October 28, 1917 in Denison, TX and passed away on January 14, 2012. She was preceded in death by her husband Rev. William Greenhaw. She is survived by 2 daughters and sons-in-law, 8 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. Services were held on January 19, 2012 at St. Philip's UMC in Garland, TX.



Hazel Johnson

Hazel was born in Hopkins County on December 15, 1923 to William M. Weir and Addie Mae Herman Weir and passed away on September 8, 2011. She married Marion F. "Johnny" Johnson on September 24, 1960, who preceded her in death in 1997. Hazel was the oldest of four siblings and the ring leader of all the escapades and fun. Hazel and Johnny especially ministered to young families. It was not unusual for a young adult, with small children of their own, to come up to her when visiting churches she had previously served with Johnny. It was easy to see she had a very special influence on young people and the result was a good Christian adult raising his or her own children to love the Lord. She was also very involved in all the craft making and organization for Lord's Acres and other fundraising events. You could always count on Hazel to sew and make whatever was popular at the time to feature and sell at fundraisers. "Red" as she was referred to by family members often hosted family gatherings of up to 45 family members at their home. Her love for God showed through everything she did.



Lucille Leffel

Lucille was born on September 6, 1916 to Henry Cirus Minter and Anna Harned Minter of Louisville, Kentucky and passed away August 29, 2011 at the age of 94. Lucille and Robert Leffel, Jr. were married June 4, 1938. Her husband served in the U.S. Air Force and Army during World War II. Lucille was a pastor's wife in east Texas in the 1950's. When her husband returned to the military as an Air Force Chaplain, Lucille supported him by taking care of their family when he was away for extended periods of times and went with him when he was stationed in Japan. Lucille and Robert served churches in the Wichita Falls area of the North Texas Conference after his retirement from the Air Force. She devoted her life to her husband, children and the Methodist church, where she taught classes and played the piano when needed. The Leffels have two sons.

Harriet McGee

Harriet was born in Morrisville, Missouri on July 16, 1921 to Lanta Mae Gulick Winton and James Fielding Winton. She graduated from Central College, Fayette, Missouri with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1942, and received a Master of Arts degree in English from the University of Missouri, Columbia, in 1947. Harriet was a homemaker for many years and an English teacher in the Dallas Independent School District for 15 years. She also was a gifted pianist and soprano and sang with the Dallas Symphony Chorus. Harriet was married for over sixty years to Rev. John W. (Jack) McGee, who died in 2007. Together, they served for over thirty years in the North Texas Conference of The United Methodist Church. Over the years, Harriet served the congregations' music programs as organist, choir director, and frequent soloist on Sunday mornings. For the last seventeen years, Harriet has resided in Atlanta.



Ida Louise Noblin

Ida Louise Alford was born in the Methodist parsonage at Saucier, Mississippi, February 20, 1916 the youngest of five children. She grew up in various parsonages in Mississippi, enrolling at Whitworth College in the fall of 1933. Graduating two years later with an award in Religious Studies, she went to Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi, finishing in 1937. She spent the next nine months working for the Mississippi Children's Home Society, an agency placing children in adoptive homes. After three months of teaching in Laurel, Mississippi, she married James Swope Noblin, a Methodist minister, August 28, 1938. To them were born five sons, four of whom survive her. She earned a Masters Degree from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1957. In June 1957 the family moved to Dallas, Texas where her husband attended Perkins School of Theology at SMU, graduating in 1960. He served at several pastorates including White Rock UMC and Lovers Lane UMC. Ida Louise taught in the Dallas Independent School District for 23 years, retiring in 1980. Later she served as a chaplain at Parkland Hospital for four years and as oncology, gerontology and hospice chaplain at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus Ohio until retiring in 1986 when she returned to Dallas.



Annette Echols Palmer

Ann was born March 4, 1959 in Beverly, MA and grew up in Virginia, Ohio, and finally arrived in Texas in 1976. She graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1981. She was working on a Master of Arts in Teaching in Science Education at the University of Texas at Dallas when she passed away.

Ann taught for 27 years; the last eleven years she taught physics at Garland High School. She loved her students and the support of GHS during her illness was something that her friends and family will never forget.



She is survived by Tom E. Palmer, her loving husband of almost 29 years who is an associate pastor at FUMC Mesquite.

Margaret “Peggy” Railey

Margaret “Peggy” Railey, a beloved and respected member of the North Texas Conference clergy family, died Dec. 26, 2011 at Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler. She was born on Oct 7, 1948 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to William H. and Billie Jo Renfro Nicolai, both of whom preceded her in death.

Peggy held a master’s degree in education from Southern Methodist University and taught at Ursuline Academy in Dallas. She was a talented musician whose specialty was the organ. Peggy generously shared her musical gifts with NTC congregations, especially Christ UMC, Farmers Branch, and First UMC, Dallas.



Peggy was a caring and devoted mother to her two children and steadfast friend to many. Clergy and laity of the conference grieved and prayed for Peggy and her family during the almost 25 years family members devotedly cared for her in a Tyler nursing home.

Peggy is survived by her two adult children, Ryan and Megan; her brother, Ted Nicolai and wife, Linda; sister, Katherine Aronin; and by numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Services for Peggy were held at Tyler Memorial Park Cemetery in Tyler.

Effie Vaughn

Effie Pierce Vaughn was born May 24, 1910 to C.C. and Dona Pierce, the oldest of five children. Effie graduated from Vernon High School, Vernon, Texas and after marriage to Rev. Alton Vaughn and two children; Effie attended North Texas State College, Denton, Texas, where she received a degree in Elementary Education. After graduation, Effie and Alton moved to many communities within the North Texas Methodist Conference where she taught at several elementary schools. After teaching and preaching for several years they settled in Dallas. Effie immediately took a position teaching first grade at Nancy Mosley Elementary School, DISD. She retired in 1974 after 30 years at Nancy Mosley. Effie always wished that she had kept up with the number of children she had taught to read.

Effie was very active in the United Methodist Church; she taught Sunday School, was a member of the choir and a member of the woman's society. She loved to quilt, crochet, and tat, but her true love was teaching.



Dorris Youngblood

Dorris was born May 19, 1923 in Meadville, Mississippi, to John Covington King and Eunice Hastings King. She graduated from Delta State University in Cleveland, Mississippi, in 1944 with a degree in Education. After graduation, she married Don Youngblood on August 18, 1944 in Utica, Mississippi. He attended seminary at Perkins School of Theology at SMU and after graduating a year later returned to Mississippi for one year. They resided in Texas since the early 1950's where Don was a pastor of Methodist churches in Sanger, Dallas, Archer City, Electra, Iowa Park, Jacksboro, Wichita Falls and Burkburnett. She was a teacher for 28 years until her retirement in 1985 and taught in Bryson, Iowa Park, and Burkburnett. She was a member of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society, an international honorary society for women in Education. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Burkburnett, the United Methodist Women, the Retired Teachers Association, and the Golden Girls of Archer City.

XV. OUR BELOVED DEAD

ROLL OF DECEASED MINISTERIAL MEMBERS

(Note: The complete rosters of all deceased ministerial members of the North Texas Conference and its antecedents are found in: (1) the 1967 Official Record of the Oklahoma-Texas Conference of the Evangelical and United Brethren Church, (2) the 1967 Journal of the West Texas Conference of The Methodist Church, and (3) the 1978 and 1994 Journals of the North Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church.)

NAME	BORN	DIED	NAME	BORN	DIED
Smith, Bill Morgan	1911	1977	Young, Leland H.	1914	1987
Shipp, Thomas	1918	1977	Gorham, Jack D.	1934	1987
Cates, R.L.	1892	1977	Minga, T.Herbert	1903	1987
Evans, Bayless	1887	1978	Montgomery, Roy E.	1902	1988
Arnold, Virgil	1884	1978	Penn, William Wesley	1913	1988
Oliver, Nicholas W. 1886	1978		Randolph, George C.	1902	1987
Armstrong, Alden	1918	1979	Simpson, James M.Jr.	1913	1987
Arnold, Cecil	1911	1979	Smothermon, William C.	1929	1988
Carroll, Robert	1927	1980	Sparkman, Edwin K.	1908	1987
Garrett, Charles	1891	1980	Ackenbom, Arthur O.	1913	1988
Neeley, Lloyd	1905	1979	Broyles, Fred P.	1892	1988
Norton, Ferris	1927	1980	Hyde, John L.	1917	1988
Peirce, Arthur	1894	1979	Keightley, Carl E.	1915	1988
Pollard, Aston	1909	1980	Stowe, Bishop W. McFerrin	1913	1988
Proctor, Lonnie	1907	1978	Talbot, Fitzhugh M.	1901	1988
Rice, John S.	1895	1980	Tomlinson, Leonard W.	1931	1988
Smith, McLain	1918	1979	Walker, James H.	1928	1989
Bennett, Harold W.	1893	1979	Westbrook, James H.	1897	1989
Williams, C.B.		1980	Casad, Gordon D.	1922	1989
Seymour, Leslie W.	1896	1981	Pope, Bishop W. Kenneth	1901	1989
Tucker, Albert F.	1906	1980	Outler, Albert C.	1908	1989
Quattlebaum, J.O.	1886	1981	Wright, Theo	1912	1990
Stephenson, Paul	1893	1981	Noblin, James Sr.	1910	1990
Trice, William E.	1912	1981	Barcus, V. Cyrus	1903	1990
Cox, W. Arthur	1904	1982	Polk, John Wesley	1904	1990
Echols, Timothy B.	1894	1983	Clore, Gerald L.	1904	1990
Grounds, Hargrove	1893	1983	Connatser, James E.	1924	1990
Hite, Wesley V.	1896	1982	Rogers, Omer B.	1900	1990
Wilcoxson, George	1906	1982	Towner, Walter L.	1895	1991
House, Grover C.	1889	1983	Dunnam, Spurgeon M.	1943	1991
Click, Albert F.	1898	1983	Flaherty, Raymond G.	1910	1991
Reynolds, Carl D.	1901	1984	Cade, W. V.	1911	1991
Edgar, Fred R.,Sr.	1911	1984	Sharp, J. B.	1925	1992
Martin, Bishop W.C.	1893	1984	Quillian, Joseph D.,Jr.	1917	1992
Ortmayer, Roger E.	1916	1984	Espie, Charles O.	1909	1992
Loud, I.B.	1910	1984	Delleney, Jerry	1932	1992
Collie, B.E.	1905	1986	Mood, G. Henry	1906	1992
Goodrich, Bishop Rbt E., Jr.	1909	1985	Davis, David B.	1935	1992
Neustifter, R.A.	1929	1986	Vernon, Walter N.	1907	1993
Bevan, Roy W.	1912	1987	Jones, G. William	1931	1993
Boone, T.Bolton	1900	1986	Thompson, George A.	1917	1993
Caldwell, Homer H.	1914	1986	Cardwell, Paul O.	1903	1993
Hayes, Edwin T.	1905	1987	Weaver, Thomas P.	1904	1993
Howell, William E.	1911	1986	Staats, Harold	1913	1994
Mann, J.C.	1885	1986	Jones, Lloyd	1906	1994

NAME	BORN	DIED	NAME	BORN	DIED
May, Bob C.	1911	1994	Lewis, Clayton M.	1919	2002
Peterson, W. E.	1903	1994	Cook, Herman	1924	2003
McLean, John G.	1926	1994	Gray, Jr., Jack A.	1931	2003
Kindel, Felix	1911	1994	Bledsoe, Marvin C.	1921	2003
Hoggard, Earl R.	1912	1995	Culbertson, Donley E.	1907	2003
Milner, Leon F.	1909	1995	Kifer, Earl Edward	1917	2003
Youngblood, Donald S.	1916	1995	Kittrell, David L. Jr.	1921	2003
Yates, Frank E.	1924	1995	Renfro, Arthur F.	1925	2003
Bohmfolk, Erwin F.	1900	1995	Hill, Luther A.	1911	2003
Monts, Susan B.	1953	1995	Regan, Russell	1916	2003
Walker, Philip W.	1899	1995	Corrigan, W. Raymond	1911	2003
Cunninggim, Merrimon	1911	1995	Atkinson, Loy Terry	1923	2003
Redus, Morgan Ward	1909	1995	Richardson, Betty	1925	2004
Ridley, Robert H.	1911	1996	Perry, Richard T.	1911	2004
Logan, A. H.	1908	1996	Leffel, Robert E. Jr.	1918	2004
Bryant, S. Baxton	1919	1996	Farrell, Leighton Kirk	1930	2004
Swafford, James N.	1917	1996	Thornton, Kenneth Monroe	1923	2004
Reed, Erwin	1912	1996	Hares, James C.	1923	2005
Franklin, Velma	1910	1996	McGee, Fred	1917	2005
Judy, Marvin T.	1911	1996	Harvey, Jr., Earl	1922	2005
Son, Myong Gul	1928	1997	Turnipseed, Robert S.	1927	2005
Elliott, Robert E.	1921	1997	Jones Sr., Glendell A.	1917	2005
Calvert, Robert Clark	1909	1997	Howard, Virgil P.	1936	2005
Turner, James Leon	1910	1997	Allen, Robert L.	1946	2006
Cole, Elden H.	1910	1997	Corse, Wilma Roberts	1919	2006
Johnson, Marion	1924	1997	Yarbrough, Jimmie Wray	1934	2006
Leander, Daniel V.	1925	1998	Edwards, Kerby H.	1929	2006
Nunley, Roscoe	1920	1998	James, Conrad Randal	1943	2006
Siekman, Barbara	1932	1998	Dancer, Thomas Dudley	1936	2006
Thomas, Julian D.	1920	1998	Wheeler, George Howard	1913	2006
Mooring, James D.	1916	1998	Bailey, Wilfred M.	1924	2006
Washington, Sr. Wm. Joseph	1931	1998	Moncure, Bishop Rhymes H. Jr	1945	2006
Philbrook, Leroy	1927	1999	Lavender, Garland T.	1905	2006
Trompler, Raymond	1916	1999	Reaves, James E.	1911	2006
Smith, Thomas J.	1911	1999	Roberson, Linwood John	1933	2006
Morgan, James William	1914	2000	Rentfro, John Moore	1931	2007
Smith, Lawrence E.	1909	2000	Fielder, Jackson W.	1921	2007
Stauffer, Paul A.	1921	2000	Thompson, Ira M.	1932	2007
Hensley, John Poe	1911	2000	Newkirk, Randy G.	1942	2007
Pearson, Freeman H.	1908	2000	Miller, Edward Loren	1928	2007
Morell, Paul LeSueur	1928	2000	Gilmore, Martha Louise	1936	2007
Murray, Billy Wayne	1934	2000	McGee, John W.	1919	2007
Nelson, M. L.		2000	Stephenson, William Thomas	1922	2007
Smith, Claude Bourdon	1924	2000	Oliphint, Bishop Benjamin	1924	2007
Adams, Fred F.	1908	2000	Cook, Charles William	1932	2007
Vaughan, Richard Alton	1903	2000	Swift, William D.	1922	2007
Cutter, Addison Wesley	1907	2001	Welborn, Gene Cloise	1940	2007
Patterson, Floyd M.	1912	2001	Standifer, Charles, H.	1917	2007
Cooper, A. Lamar	1911	2001	Davis, Myrtis Nanette	1943	2007
Butts, Raymond F.	1932	2001	del Rosario, Philip Baron	1928	2008
Dunson, Wayne B.	1917	2001	Caraway, Hansel V.	1917	2008
Hawkins, John M.	1915	2002	Shuler, John M.	1916	2008
Copeland, Carrol D.	1916	2002	Crouch, William C.	1932	2008
Shelley, Woodrow Wilson	1916	2002	Hodge, Marshall E.	1929	2008
Robertson, Sr., Robert L.	1931	2002	Morphis, John W.	1912	2008

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Noland, Russell E.	1955	2008
Baskin-Ball, Kathleen	1958	2008
Wiksten, De Forrest	1929	2009
Van Zant, John Kermit	1915	2009
Edens, Raymond Maurice	1923	2009
Jameson, Ashley Day	1916	2009
Riley, Royce Wilton	1938	2009
Bryan, Bobby B.	1931	2009
Greenhaw, William W.	1911	2009
Saylor, Joseph R. Jr.	1936	2010
Browder, Eugene Polser	1935	2010
Baker, Philip Eugene	1932	2010
Upchurch, William F.	1931	2010
Chester, Eldon M.	1927	2010
Warden Chief A.	1919	2010
Bryant, Homer Noel	1913	2011
Jackson, Douglas Ewing	1919	2011
Palmer, James B. Sr.	1929	2011
Poore, Elwood Spencer	1922	2011
Anderson, C.W.	1934	2011
Mackenzie, Kathryn L.	1922	2012