



Reverend Bernard L. Murphy

March 29, 1924 - April 25, 2020

Rev. Bernard L. Murphy, 96, of Westmoreland City, passed away Saturday April 25, 2020. He was born March 29, 1924 in New Castle, a son of the late Rev. Jesse C. and Elizabeth (Taylor) Murphy. Rev. Murphy served at Westmoreland City Primitive Methodist Church for a total of 21 years and had also served several other congregations in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Rhode Island. He was a graduate of Norwin High School, Class of 1942 and served in the Army as a surgical technician during WWII in the European Theater. He graduated from Cleveland Bible College in 1954 and was a former Scout leader, Red Cross volunteer, and served as president of the Pocono Mountain Bible Camp for 13 years. He was a longtime member of the Men's Prayer Fellowship. In addition to his parents he is preceded in death by his wife of 73 years Jane L. (Hunt) Murphy who passed away September 15, 2019 and his siblings Rev. Elvin S. Murphy, Xelva Cottom, and Eleanor Beck. He is survived by his daughter Donna M. Porter and her husband Bobby of Houston, TX, his grandson David Porter and his wife Keri; his great grandchildren Caden, Caffrey, and Coen Porter; brother in law James L. Hunt and his wife Shirley of Florida; sister in law Estella "Sally" Vicelli and her husband Bill of Westmoreland City; also nieces and nephews. Due to the current pandemic, services and interment will be private. Rev. Murphy will be laid to rest next to his wife at Brush Creek Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at a later date. The William Snyder Funeral Home, Irwin, is in charge of arrangements. For online condolences please visit www.snyderfuneralservice.com.

Cemetery

Brush Creek Cemetery

Irwin, PA, 15642

Comments



“ Many prayers and sympathy to the family of Reverend Murphy. He was the most kindest, honest human being I have ever known. I will never forget him knocking on my door to get me to come to the church. He was so good to everyone. My mother absolutely loved him and we were honored to have him do her eulogy in February 2016. May he rest in peace in our Lords arms forever more. Jesus did a lot of great work through Reverend Murphy including through his wife Jane. Prayers for Peace and Comfort to the family as well for his wife Jane. they are resting together again.

Rhonda Stewart and I know the rest of my family sends their sympathies too, we all loved him.

Rhonda Stewart - April 28, 2020 at 11:25 AM



“ I first came to know Bernie from the Men's Prayer Fellowship. He often led us in prayer and contributed to our Bible studies.

He and my late mother were at the same senior care facility. He regularly shared prayer with her and me blessing us both. He also lead church services at the home.

My condolences to his family and friends.

Jim Schlosser - April 27, 2020 at 09:46 PM



“ Bernie was known and loved by many in the Norwin community. We served together on many ministries including the Norwin Area Spiritual Renewal, the Norwin Men's Fellowship (he was a charter member in 1971), a mission to Ghana, and several other local ministries.

I shall never forget his help when I was attacked by a hired thug from Ohio while we were picketing the infamous Adult Bookstore on route 30.

Bernie was a humble and dedicated servant of our Lord.

Praise God for allowing me to share my journey of faith with The Reverend Mr. Bernard Murphy.

My wife and I extend our deepest sympathy to his family and friends.

Dr. Larry Dunster - April 27, 2020 at 03:57 PM



“ my Prayers are with you and family at this time , from Linda Walter Kober and Walter Family.

Linda Kober - April 27, 2020 at 11:52 AM



“ Deepest sympathies on the passing of this special man. I knew Rev. Murphy through my Dad who considered him a very close friend. It my great pleasure when we were able to have a chat whenever we would bump into each other. He was a man filled with love and gratitude for his relationship with God and anyone he came in touch with. He set a find example for us. We need more Bernie Murphy's in the world.

Kathy Snyder Paskus - April 27, 2020 at 01:08 PM



“ Your dad holds a special place in my heart. I accepted Christ as my Savior during a service at his church in Westmoreland City. Prayers for you and your family during this difficult time.

Ruth Cottom Kelley - April 27, 2020 at 02:16 PM



“ May perpetual light shine upon Rev.Murphy who was a kind, gentle and faithful shepherd and pastor to members of the Czekanski family over many years. May he rest in the loving arms of the One who created him in His image and likeness, who loved him deeply and passionately just the way he was and has waited patiently as He longed to warmly welcome his faithful servant home. With heartfelt sympathy and deepest gratitude, Bonnie

Bonnie - June 14, 2020 at 05:39 PM