

Obituaries

Mrs. Betty Merriam (1938~2022)



Betty J. Merriam went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Saturday, October 22, 2022, in her home. She was married to Rev. Floyd Merriam who survives. The Merriams served together as pastor and spouse in the Western New York District at Cattaraugus First Wesleyan and Bellville Wesleyan in the 1970s. She was a member of the Fillmore Wesleyan Church. Betty was an LPN for several area hospitals and nursing homes. She enjoyed writing personalized cards to numerous individuals and she would write between 60 to 80 cards a month. Her greatest joy in life was her family where she was a devoted wife, caring mother, and loving grandmother. A memorial service was held on Saturday, November 12, 2022, at Fillmore Wesleyan Church.

Rev. Carol Schweigart (1955~2022)



Carol Anne Schweigart, 66, of Bolivar passed away at home surrounded by her family on Friday, August 5, 2022. She was married to Joseph Schweigart who survives. Carol was a 1973 graduate of Andover Central School. Upon graduating, she began a career in medical office management, starting with the Rural Management Associates in Andover. Carol became an ordained minister in the Wesleyan Church in 2005 and served as Assistant Pastor for Brookside Wesleyan Church in Wellsville. Carol started and ran Café Jacob in Bolivar, a coffee shop ministry that she and Joe had as a vision to reach people for Christ in their community. She retired due to health issues in March 2018. Her funeral service was held on August 11, 2022.

Rev. Carl Schultz (1930-2022)



Rev. Dr. Carl Schultz, 91 died peacefully on August 18, 2022, at the Milford Regional Medical Center in Massachusetts. He was predeceased by his beloved wife of 56 years, Annalee (Price) Schultz. He graduated from New Castle High School, Houghton University (BA), Malone College (B.R.E), Wheaton College (MA), and Brandeis University (PhD). He was in pastoral ministry for over 65 years, serving at the Cheektowaga Wesleyan Church, First Wesleyan Church in Bradford, PA, and several other churches in various denominations. He was a professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at Houghton University for over 46 years, serving as Chairman of the division of Religion and Philosophy for 21 years. He served as Academic Dean of Houghton's Buffalo campus and as a visiting professor at Kingsley College in Melbourne, Australia and at United Theological Seminary. Dr. Schultz served as a contributor on the Wesley Study Bible (NKJV), the Evangelical Commentary on the Bible and the Asbury Bible Commentary and led over 22 trips to the Holy Land, last traveling there in 2020. A man who loved his family, he had a servant's heart and was always looking for ways to care for people. He lived his life according to Romans 12:12, Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. His funeral service was held on Saturday, September 3, 2022, in Uxbridge, MA.

Well done. good and faithful servant.

Enter into the joy of your Lord!