



Rev. Elder K. Bentley

October 5, 1927 - May 26, 2014

Age 86 of St. Paul, MN. Died May 26, 2014. Preceded in death by wife of 60 years, Esther; sister, Sylvia Lee; infant sister and brother, Klara and Gordon. Survived by Eric (Kelly deRosier) Bentley; Barbara Bentley, Julie (Paul) Larson, Kristen Bentley, Carol Bentley and Kurt (Lisa) Bentley; grandchildren, Austin (Heather), Alexandra, Kathleen, Christopher, Ben, Abby, Joshua and Lydia; sister, Phyllis Bentley; nephew, Gary Lee; nieces, Ellen Halverson and Betsy Dehler; other relatives and many friends. Elder was a 1949 graduate of Luther College; 1952 graduate from Luther Seminary and was ordained at Hesper Lutheran Church in 1952. Elder served Our Savior's and West Prairie Lutheran Church in Leland, IA from 1952-1956; served the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Des Moines, IA from 1956-1959; then from 1959-1964 he served Bricelyn Lutheran Church Bricelyn, MN., in 1964 he was called to be the Senior Pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church in St. Paul where he served for 28 years, retiring in 1992. Pastor Bentley served on the National ALC Dept. of Stewardship Board as Vice Chairman of Committee, and four years as the ALC Southeast District Vice President. In 1988 he retired from the Naval Reserve as a Navy Captain. Elder was the first president and one of the founders of the South Eastern Asian Ministry. Visitation Friday, May 30th from 5-8 PM at HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM-PURCELL FUNERAL HOME 536 N. Snelling Ave., St. Paul. Funeral Saturday, May 31st at 1:00 PM (visitation from 12:15-1:00 PM) at LYNGBLOMSTEN CARE CENTER CHAPEL, 1415 Almond Ave., St. Paul. Interment Roselawn Cemetery. Memorials preferred to

Lyngblomsten Care Center. The family wishes to express their appreciation to all the Lyngblomsten Staff and especially the wonderful Auxiliary Staff for the care they gave to Elder.

Tribute Wall

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“ Our sympathies to the all of the family. Pastor Bentley was a great man and gave so much joy and comfort to everyone who ever encountered him. Although we left the twin cities in 1982 and have not seen Elder since then, I thank him for helping me through tough times in my young life when my father died too young...I could have gone many ways then in life but his guidance helped make me who I am today. My wife and I have many fond memories of him to this day. He was a great story teller and made the scriptures relevant to all us kids in the 60's-70's when times were a'changing. I met my lovely wife thru the Lutheran League and Elder married us 7 yrs later...we both still talk about the words of wisdom he gave us both when we met with him prior to the ceremony these 38 yrs later! Truly a wise man and we were all blessed to have had him in our lives.

John Pehling Lilly Ho-Pehling - May 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM