

## MEMORIALS

### Stanley E. Anderson

Stanley E. Anderson, 77, a pastor and professor, died at 3:30 a.m. Saturday, June 18, 1977, at St. Mary's Hospital, Grand Junction, Colorado. He had recently moved to Grand Junction with his wife.

He served as a chaplain in Europe during World War II and was a teacher at Northern Baptist Theological Seminary for 12 years and at Judson College in Elgin, Illinois, for seven.

Stanley Anderson was born May 2, 1900, in Summit, South Dakota, and married Inda Johnson in 1926. He attended Northwestern Bible School, graduating in 1924, and Union University in Jackson, Tennessee, through 1928. He received his B.D. from Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1946 and his Th.D. in 1947. He became a member of ETS in 1952, attending his last annual meeting in 1975.

He is survived by his wife; a son, Donald Anderson; a daughter, Betty Jane Larsen; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

### Jerry L. Sproull

Jerry Lynn Sproull was born in Bruin, Pennsylvania, on July 18, 1930. After graduation from Grove City College in 1952 with a B.S. degree in chemical engineering, he pursued graduate studies in this field at Purdue University.

While studying law he was employed as a licensed patent examiner in Washington, D.C. During this period he was born again when a stranger visited his hotel and urged him to receive Christ. Sensing a call to Christian work, he enrolled at Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore Kentucky, and completed B.D. and Th.M. degrees. His Th.M. thesis was entitled "The Methodist Class Meeting: A Study of Its Development, Dynamics, Distinctions, Demise, and Denouement." He earned a D.Min. from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N.C., where his doctoral paper concerned "A Study of Intercessory Prayer Employing Small Groups."

In addition to a Friends Church in Southern Indiana, pastored while a seminarian, he served as assistant pastor of Loudenville (New York) Community Church and as pastor of Athens (Georgia) Alliance Church.

He was married to Patricia Stockdale July 4, 1965, before moving to Toccoa Falls College on August 30. He was originally ordained in the Evangelical Methodist denomination. He later became an official worker in the Christian and Missionary Alliance and a member of Toccoa Alliance Church.

The Sproulls became parents of three daughters: Joanna M., Jocelyn J., and Melissa J.

Aside from one semester when he pioneered a church and pursued graduate studies, he taught continuously at Toccoa Falls College in the School of Bible and Theology from 1965 until his death on November

6, 1977. He was noted for ingenuity, forceful classes, convincing sermons, insightful personal and group counseling, and sharpness of wit.

He viewed his classroom task as training Christian workers—especially preachers—rather than as an impartation of a mass of theoretical data. His major area of teaching was pastoral studies. Among his favorite courses were two classes employing innovative methods learned through his Th.M. and D.Min. research: small group interpersonal dynamics, and principles and practice of prayer. He conducted retreats on marital success.

Professional membership included the Evangelical Theological Society, the Wesleyan Theological Society and the American Association of University Professors.

Jerry Sproull and his three daughters were among 39 victims in a flood caused by the bursting of a dam on Toccoa Creek at the college campus. Survivors include his wife and his mother, both of Toccoa.

He had published several articles. Some weeks before his passing he wrote "So That the Poor Mourn," which he requested to be published anonymously, feeling that readers could identify with such material without an author's name. The article urges worthwhile living so it may be said: "The poor were sorry when he died." Years ago this epitaph was erected over a beloved circuit-riding Virginia evangelist. The article's final words are: "Dear God, may the poor be sorry when I die." We are sorry, Jerry. We are richer because you lived, and our loss is immense.

#### Henry G. Waterman

Henry G. Waterman of Wheaton College was called home on February 20, 1977. His long service to the Lord spanned several distinct areas of work. His preparation for the Lord's service included study at Houghton College, Wheaton College Graduate School, Columbia University and New York University, among other institutions. He held positions in the pastorate and in translation work (with the American Bible Society both in the United States and in the Philippines) as well as in teaching.

He was appointed to the Wheaton College faculty in 1965. He twice directed their Summer Institute of Biblical Studies in Jerusalem. His experiences there were shared at meetings of the ETS.

Born in 1915, Henry Waterman was married to Laura C. Seaman. They had five sons. He was an ordained minister of the Christian and Missionary Alliance and, along with active participation in various professional societies, he gave much time and energy to the work of the Church.

#### Leon J. Wood

After thirty-one years of teaching at Grand Rapids Baptist College and Seminary, including some twenty-one years as seminary dean, Leon J. Wood was taken to be with the Lord on March 2, 1977. Those who knew and worked with him esteemed him all the more during recent

years when he continued in teaching and other scholarly work although afflicted with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (the Lou Gehrig disease).

He invested his fifty-eight years of life well for his Lord. A graduate of Calvin College and Seminary, he also studied in Israel and at the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago. His doctorate was from Michigan State University. He served as pastor, teacher, administrator and scholar. He was one of the translators of the Berkeley Version and of the New International Version. His many books included works on Old Testament subjects and prophecy.

At the Baptist College and Seminary he was interim president 1953-54, seminary dean from 1954-75, and taught until December 1976, in spite of his weakened condition. His memory is perpetuated not only in the hearts of those who loved him but also in the building completed and named for him before his death.

Leon Wood is survived by his wife, Helen A. Wood; his children, James and Julie Wood, Carol and Bruce DeClark, all of Grand Rapids; Marilyn and Keith Kaynor of Mt. Clemens; six grandchildren; and one brother, Lyman E. Wood of Grand Rapids.