

## Roscoe Marvin White, Jr



The Rev. Roscoe Marvin White, Jr., 95, ordained Elder in the United Methodist Church, died on Wed., October 23, 2013. Marvin was preceded in death by his parents, Dr. Roscoe Marvin White and Edith Denny White; brother, C. Denny White; sister, Lou White Winfree; father and mother-in law, Roy and Gladys Albert; brother-in-law, Westwood Winfree; and nephews, Allen Bradshaw White and Marvin Winfree. He is survived by his wife, Bettie Albert White, of Atlantic Shores in VA Beach; son, Roy White and his wife, Deborah Hughes White, of Hampton; daughters, Lisa White Alconcel and her husband, Doug Alconcel, of VA Beach and Kimberli M. White of VA Beach; grandchildren, Andrew White and his fiance, Laura Moore, and Ayrin Duro and her husband, Sgt. Giordano Duro; foster grandson, Cecil Coleman and his wife, Lindsay; great-granddaughter, Celia Coleman; brothers and sisters in law, nephews, nieces, former parishioners, and many friends all across Virginia and the US. Marvin was a pastor in the Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church for 41 years, serving churches across Virginia, including as the interim pastor at St. Mark's UMC in Hampton, pastor at Christ UMC in Newport News, Bethany UMC in Hampton, Charles Wesley UMC in McLean, McKendree UMC in Norfolk, Thrasher Memorial UMC in Vinton, Epworth UMC in Exmore, Herndon UMC in Herndon, Providence UMC in Grafton, South Covington UMC in Covington, Shenandoah UMC in Shenandoah, and Bishop Memorial UMC in Richmond. Marvin was a graduate of Emory and Henry College in Emory, VA and Candler School of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta. He studied a year at Bristol University in Bristol, England. Marvin also served as a police chaplain for the Newport News Police Department, as a minister of visitation for First

Church UMC in Newport News, and was a volunteer chaplain at Riverside Hospital. He was a third generation Methodist pastor and grandson of the late Bishop Collins Denny. Marvin was noted for his gentle nature and quiet assurance to many people both in and outside the church. He loved to sing the hymns of the church. His last verbal communication was the singing of "Blessed Assurance." Friends and family may pay their respects at Bethany UMC, on Todds Lane in Hampton, on Monday, October 27, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Funeral service will begin at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Arthur Rajanayakam, pastor of Bethany UMC, and The Rev. Joe Carson, District Superintendent of the York River District, UMC. Interment will follow in Peninsula Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, friends and family are encouraged to send donations to Bethany UMC, 1509 Todds Lane, Hampton, 23666. Arrangements are by Weymouth Funeral Home.

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