

North Park Presbyterian Church
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A Memorial Resolution for Roy Wilson Lawrence

WHEREAS: Our gracious God and Father, in His loving mercy and infinite wisdom called to His bosom on April 29, 2006 our dear brother in Christ, Roy W. Lawrence, a hard-working deacon, a steadfast elder and a charter member of North Park Presbyterian Church. We offer our grateful praise, knowing that in so doing He, the Creator and Sustainer of life, was working out His sovereign plan in His own perfect timing, and;

WHEREAS: Roy joined North Park Church at the first worship service that took place at 2:00 pm on December 22, 1957 where Rev. B.I. Anderson preached the constitutional sermon. Roy took an active part in the physical building of each of the church structures but he also was used of the Lord to reach out to others with the Gospel. Roy first served his church as a deacon and was installed on February 5, 1958. He was ordained as an elder on January 4, 1959 and later became an elder emeritus on March 26, 2000. He also served as a Sunday School teacher, a member of the choir, an active attendee of the Saturday morning Men's Breakfast at church and served as the encouraging leader of "The Happy Bunch", our ministry to the senior saints at NPPC. His broad smile and firm handshake welcomed many of the visitors and regular members of the church. Over the years he also lovingly nurtured six successive preachers at NPPC, and;

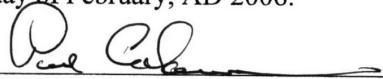
WHEREAS: Roy was a native of Madison County in Mississippi and a longtime resident of Jackson and graduated from Holmes Community College, Mississippi State University and Mississippi College and went on to serve the Lord as a teacher in the public schools. He taught at Enochs Junior High School, Chastain Junior High School, Lanier High School, Central High School and was the director of the Vocation Center in Madison Country before retiring. Roy was preceded in death by his first wife, Dorothy E. Lawrence, and;

WHEREAS: Roy was a veteran of World War II and served his country with the U.S. Army Air Corp and was a member of the Civitan Club. Many rejoiced in his love for gardening for in due season he gladly shared his home-grown fruits and vegetables with friends and church family. He truly believed that the Bible is the inspired Word of God and until his final sickness followed the Scriptural mandate, *"not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near"* (Hebrews 10:25), and;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That we, his brothers in Christ, commend him to the everlasting care of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit; and relying on the promise that we shall indeed meet again in the kingdom of God, express our praise, honor and glory to our God and Father for the life our brother spent among us.

We further direct that a copy of this resolution be included in the minutes of the Session of North Park Presbyterian Church, spread on the minutes of Mississippi Valley Presbytery and a copy be sent to his wife, Fannie B. "Snooks" Lawrence, his daughter Delaine Kay Griffin, his son, Roy W. Lawrence, II and to his stepdaughter, Becky Miller.

This done at a called meeting of the Session of North Park Presbyterian Church on this fourth day of February, AD 2006.


Clerk of Session: RE Paul Adams


Moderator: TE Dean Rydbeck

