



Rev. Harold E. Basehore

January 19, 1926 - January 19, 2011

Rev. Harold E. Basehore, 85, Lebanon, passed away Wednesday, January 19, 2011 at the Good Samaritan Hospital. He was the husband of Florence E. Deimler Basehore.

Born March 3, 1925 in Hummelstown, he was the son of the late Edward and Clara Messemer Basehore.

Rev. Basehore was a retired United Methodist minister, having served Bobo Methodist Church in Indiana from 1950–1952, Churchtown and Morgantown United Methodist Churches from 1952-1961, Cornwall United Methodist Church 1961-1990 and St. John's United Methodist Church, Lebanon 1990-2003. While serving at Cornwall UM Church he also was Chaplain at Cornwall Manor in the 1960's and Chaplain at the Lebanon VA Medical Center retiring in 1985. "Rev." also was Chaplain of the Civil Air Patrol and served on numerous Lebanon County Agencies and Boards for many years.

Rev. Basehore attended Hummelstown schools graduating from Hummelstown High School in 1942. He worked at Olmstead AAF Base from June 1942 through March 1943 and enlisted in the Army Air Corp, attending Radio Operators School at Scott Field, IL. Later he attended Radar School at Madison, WI., graduating as a radio operator and mechanic. He served in the China Burma India theatre in India during WW2. Following his discharge from

the military he returned to Olmstead Air Force Base in 1945.

In 1946 he attended Fort Wayne Bible College, graduating in 1952 and while attending Bible College, he also attended Purdue University Extension as well as Indiana University Extension. He attended Lebanon Valley College in 1953 and graduated in 1957. He earned a Master's Degree from Temple University in 1958.

Rev. Basehore, in addition to his wife, is survived by a son, Gary, husband of Rita Lynn Basehore, Jonestown; daughter, Lynette, wife of Lynn Doster, Lebanon; grandchildren, Michael Basehore, Shane, husband of Nicole Felty, Chad Felty, Dawn, wife of Bryan Eshenour and 8 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, LT. Harold E. Basehore, Jr, who was killed while serving in Viet Nam, brothers, Milton and George Basehore and a sister, Irene Lightner.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral from the Cornwall UM Church, Alden St., Cornwall on Monday, January 24, 2011 at 10:00 AM, with the Rev. Samuel Fry, Rev. James Heath and Mr. Dennis Louwense officiating. Friends may call Sunday afternoon, January 23, 2011 from 2 to 4 PM at the Ruffner- Porterfield Funeral Directors & Cremation Services, Ltd., 890 Isabel Drive, Lebanon. Interment will be held at Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville. In lieu of flowers, memorial remembrances may be made in "Rev.'s" memory to the GSH, 4th & Walnut St, Lebanon, PA 17042. For further information please call 717-272-4634 or visit ruffnerporterfieldfh.com to submit an on-line condolence.

Tribute Wall



“ Rev. Harold E. Basehore

October 22, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ Rev. Harold E. Basehore

October 06, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ Rev. Harold E. Basehore

October 05, 2023 at 11:43 PM



“ Hey Pap. I was really thinking about you a lot today. I was going through my old stuff in my drawers and I found this one shirt I used to wear a long long time ago. I know you'll remember it. Gray shirt with red shiny letters that said "Am I Cute or What?" You would tease me all the time by just looking at me and saying "you're what." I'd always be confused of what you were saying only to then realize you were playing around with me teasing me like you would usually do, you were talking about my shirt. You were always the first one to yell at Gram when you were hungry. The first one to holler at Gram when she would take us to the McDonalds without the tubes (You never would forget that we like the one with the tubes better.) All those memories. I wish I could bring everything back to see you just one last chance. I love you Pap and miss you dearly!

Netanyia - Lebanon, PA - granddaughter - September 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Dear Flossie, Gary, and Lynette, I can't tell you how many times I've thought about your family over the years, and how often my family has had conversations about the wonderful summers we enjoyed with all of you when you came to Lake Winola for the month of August. The outstanding memories include night time hide'n'seek, swimming, boating, and waterskiing, Flossie's rice crisper/marshmallow treats, late night card games...I could go on and on!

Of course, one of the best parts was Rev. Basehore's constant (sometimes corny) jokes and teasing. He was one of the gentlest and kindest men I have ever known.

You are all especially in my thoughts and prayers at this time.

Love, Laurel (Keeler) Kegley

Laurel Keeler Kegley - Schnecksville, PA - Friend - February 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Dear Flossie & family, I am rehabbing from complete knee replacement, and was deeply saddened to receive the news of Harold's passing. He will always have a special place in our heart as will you. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all. Much love Judy & Bob

Judy & Bob Heisey - Osprey,, FL - Dear Friend - January 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *Dearest Flossie, Our sincerest condolences go out to you and your family. My children and I will always have very fond memories of Rev. from St. John's. He blessed us with his wit, humor and ability to bring the Lord to our hearts in his special way. I know my children always enjoyed his involvement with the youth activities as I enjoyed his services each Sunday. May he rest in peace and may the Lord be with you and your family through this difficult time. Rev touched our family in many ways! May his legacy always live on through the hearts and lives of those he taught. God Bless!*

Donna (Wachter) Brunson & Children Wesley & Christi Wachter - Lebanon, PA -
January 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ *SCRIPTURAL HOPES MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AT THIS TIME OF YOUR GRIEF. AT TIMES LIKE THESES, "GOD IS NEAR TO THOSE WHO ARE BROKEN AT HEART: AND THOSE CRUSHED IN SPIRIT HE SAVES." (PSALMS 34:18) "DEATH IS AN ENEMY, " AS THE BIBLE STATES AND "SOON IT WILL BE BROUGHT TO NOTHING" (1 COR. 15:26). "THERE WILL BE NO MORE TEARS, PAIN, OR SORROW, AS THE FORMER THINGS WILL BE PAST AWAY." (REV. 21:3,4) I HOPE THESE SCRIPTURES WILL BRING YOU A MEASURE OF COMFORT. MAY YOUR WARM MEMORIES AND SURE SCRIPTURAL HOPE SUSTAIN YOU AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME.*

SHIRLEY WHITE - CHICAGO HEIGHTS, IL - January 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *Fresher than in Youth* To the Family of Harold E. Basehore: The Bible holds out such a wonderful hope for our loved ones who have died all in the memorial tombs will hear his (Jesus') voice and come out. (John 5:28,29). And no resident will say: I am sick. ' . Isa. 33:24. Let his flesh become fresher than in youth; let him return to the days of his youthful vigor. Job 33:25. May you find comfort in the scriptures...and hold dear to the memories you have of your loved one.

Jacqueline Alexander - Crete, IL - "Spiritual Neighbor: - January 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *Uncle Harold was a great man. I did not get to see him often, but when I did, I loved listening to him talk and loved his sense of humor. I will always remember him and will always be so thankful to him for marrying my husband and me on January 15, 34 years ago. I know that he will be greatly missed by many. Aunt Flossie, you are in my thoughts and prayers during your time of loss. Take care and God Bless. Love, Kathy*

Kathy (Woods) Singer - Great Niece - Daughter of Luella - January 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RU

“ *Dear Basehore Family:
Praying for God to give you His comfort knowing that "he is home
with his Lord Whom he served so faithfully."*

*Sincerely,
Paul & Joan Shumate*

Rev. Paul L. Shumate - Elizabethtown, PA - Member of E.PA Conf. UMC -
January 20, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ *I am truly sorry that I did not make it down to see Uncle Harold while
he was in the hospital. He was a really great uncle and I felt really
close to him. I think him and I were somewhat alike. Crazy at times,
a very very giving person always thought of others before himself
but could be serious when the situation arises. He was more than
willing to remarry Jim and I and I will always be very grateful for
that. When I had mentioned that I was borderline diabetic, he said
now you need to take care of yourself and gave me pointers on
what to do.*

*Thereafter everytime I saw him he would asked how my sugar was.
Although we didn't get to see each other as often as I would have
like too I always knew my Uncle and Aunt would be there with a
kind and helping word. I will miss him greatly but I know he is with
his family and will be a guardian angel to many people. Love you
Uncle Harold.*

*Please feel free to call me if I can help in any way. Love Ya all
Sharon*

sharon offer - niece - January 20, 2011 at 12:00 AM