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received a D. D. Degree from West Virginia Wesleyan in 1958 where he was a member of the Board of Trustees. He became a Full Member of the West Virginia Conference in 1946 and served Boulder-Century; Norton-Mabie; Drummond Chapel; Weston District Superintendent; and First, Clarksburg. He retired in 1979.

Memorial services were held April 7, 1994 at the First United Methodist Church, Clarksburg and Drummond Chapel United Methodist Church in Morgantown.

#### William Cecil Dunson

William C. Dunson was born March 27, 1901 in Upshur County, West Virginia, the son of Daniel Ross and Juda Ellen Westfall Dunson and died January 1, 1994. He married Elva Ola Hurst Dunson October 21, 1920, who preceded him in death in 1988. They were the parents of eight children.

He was a graduate of Troy High School and the Conference Course of Study. He served as a Local Pastor at Troy; Alton; Terra Alta Circuit; Associate Pastor at Mt. Lake Park; and Mountain Top Mission before retiring in 1969.

Burial was in the Terra Alta Cemetery, Terra Alta, West Virginia.

#### Harry Latta Eckels

Harry L. Eckels was born November 19, 1904 in Parkersburg, West Virginia, the son of Ira Lee and Lula May Smith Eckels and died May 25, 1994 in New Martinsville, West Virginia. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ethel Tebay Eckels whom he married March 16, 1927. They were the parents of one son, John Philip Eckels of Sistersville, West Virginia, who survives.

He was a graduate of Patterson High School, Dayton, Ohio; University of Dayton; and Bonebrake Seminary [now United Theological Seminary]. He served in the Miami Conference [EUB] from 1939-1946 before becoming a Full Member of the West Virginia [EUB] Conference in 1941 where he served Grafton; First, Huntington; Point Pleasant; Clarksburg, Northview; and as Conference Superintendent [EUB] and Elkins District Superintendent. He retired in 1970.

The Funeral Service was held at the Sistersville United Methodist Church on Saturday, May 28, 1994.

#### Garrett H. Evans

Garrett H. Evans was born December 3, 1914 in Moundsville, West Virginia, the son of Earl L. and May Holbrook Evans and died September 7, 1993 in Portsmouth, Ohio. He married Miriam Shutt Evans July 22, 1939, who survives. They were the parents of three children.

He was a graduate of Moundsville High School, West Virginia Wesleyan College and Boston University School of Theology. He received the Honorary D. D. from West Virginia Wesleyan College in 1951 and served on their board of trustees. He became a Full Member of the Conference in 1939 and served Mt. Lake Park; Epworth, Ripley; Chaplain for the United States Navy; Christ, Wheeling; and First, Huntington. He was a delegate to General Conference in 1964, 1968 and 1970 and a member of the General Council on Finance and Administration from 1960-1968. He retired in 1981.

The Funeral Service was held at First United Methodist Church in Huntington, West Virginia September 11, 1993.

#### Winnie I. Fiber

Winnie I. Fiber of Mason, West Virginia died May 3, 1994 in Huntington, West Virginia at the age of 95. He is survived by one daughter, Mary R. MacKnight of Barboursville; one son, James D. of Charleston; one sister, Merle Michael of Sistersville; one brother, Hurshil of Hamilton, OH; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He served as a Local Pastor for several charges in West Virginia before retiring in 1963.

The Funeral Service was conducted by Reverend Rex Young at the Hartford United Methodist Church with burial in the Graham Cemetery, Mason, West Virginia.

#### Emmett W. Hall

Emmett W. Hall was born November 15, 1903 in Spring Hill, West Virginia, the son of William I. and Ida E. Yoder Hall and died April 28, 1994 in South Charleston, West Virginia. He was preceded in death by his wife Cornie Lenna Dent Hall in 1991. He is survived by one daughter, Doloria Keeney of