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past him into the home and worked with both partners. Years later when the wife died, the husband insisted that George officiate at her funeral because, he said, "You're the only one who really understood us."

Following retirement in 1973, George moved into his wife's childhood home in the University District of Seattle where he became dedicated to organic gardening, landscaping the yard to include her favorite trees and flowers. In the late 1980's, he served as interim pastor at Seattle: Capitol Hill, rescuing the church from closure.

After leaving the Oregon-Idaho Conference, George served Camas-Fern Prairie where he combined two congregations and built a church; Seattle: Trinity; Chimacum-Hadlock; Ellensburg; and Tukwila: Riverton Park. Comments at a farewell sermon he gave at his Norfolk church in 1935 perhaps sum up his entire career when he said, "There have been no restrictions on my preaching or my activities. You have allowed me to preach the truth to you as I was able to see it. And many times I have brought to you the unvarnished truth, but even you who did not appreciate such truth have not lifted a hand to drive me out.....the best kind of sermon from my point of view is the kind that hit home to some of you, that set before you an ideal of living like unto the life of Jesus, and gave you the power to strive after that ideal."

George suffered from Parkinson's disease for several years and died in Seattle on January 30, 2000 after falling and breaking ribs, which lead to pneumonia. Services were held at Seattle: Trinity, *Monica Corsaro* officiating. His wife Penelope preceded him in death just one month earlier. He is survived by a daughter, Alice Flegel, 2575 NE 83rd St., Seattle, WA 98115; sons, Robert and Philip Poor, 5504 21st NE, Seattle, WA, 98105; and foster son Ralph Anderson, East 140 Rock Way, Shelton, WA 98584.

JOHN RICHARD SCOTT - lived and preached by the motto, "work with the given!" This philosophy and his love for our Lord endeared him to the parishes he served and sustained his life in illness.

After years of illness, John succumbed to aspiration pneumonia due to a long standing neurological condition on November 11, 1999. Services were held at Seattle: Sand Point, Ronald, and at First United Methodist Church, Tucson, Arizona.

John was born the son of John and Bernice Scott of Tucson, Arizona on March 18, 1943. He was president of a local Wesley Foundation when God called him to Ordained Ministry. He was trained for the ministry at Drew University in New Jersey and at Perkins School of Theology, Dallas, TX. It was at Dallas that he met MarLu Primero, another student. They were married in the Philippines in February 1970. John completed his seminar work the following May and was ordained elder in 1970. In the earlier years of his ministry, John served as Chaplain at Acadia National Park in Maine and Lassen National Park in Northern California. He also served at Claypool and Hauchuca City, Arizona; Associate at Christ Church in Tucson; and Garfield, as a member of California-Arizona-Hawaii Conference.

It was during his time at Garfield that he began to develop serious health problems from which he would never recover. He went on disability leave in 1981. Still, for these agonizing 18 years, his kind and gentle manner brought a healing touch to those he visited in hospitals and nursing homes. John related very well to the elderly, having been surrounded by elderly adults in his youth. He loved them. He understood them. One parishioner has said about his preaching, "Oh how I love John Scott! No preacher has ever spoken to my heart like John." John gave serious thought to the preparation of his sermons and carefully studied the Scriptures to draw out relevant messages. He delivered his sermons with clarity, sincerity and conviction. People listened. People's lives were changed.

MarLu and John were often viewed as a team! She provided creative, innovative leadership and endeared herself to many children and youth as she practiced her own spiritual profession in ministry while caring for John. These past several years, he and MarLu lived and ministered around the Seattle area during the declining years of his health. He is survived by his loving, devoted wife MarLu, 700 N 160th St. A108, Shoreline, WA 98133.

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