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F. OLIN STOCKWELL

F. Olin Stockwell died on May 21, 1996. He was born on December 14, 1900, in Perry, Oklahoma, to Eugene and Addie Stockwell. After completing his theological studies at Garrett Biblical College, he served the Oklahoma Conference at Dewey and Lamont. Olin married Esther Beck in 1924. After the birth of their two children, the family went to China where Olin served as a Methodist missionary.

During World War II, Olin sent his family back to the United States while he remained in China to continue his service as missionary. Esther rejoined him in China after the war. In 1950, Olin was arrested by the new revolutionary government in Chungking, China. He served two years in a Chinese prison and after being released, was deported back to the United States. The Stockwells moved to Singapore in 1955 to serve at Trinity Theological College. Retiring 1972, Olin and Esther moved to Sunny Acres Retirement Home in Denver, Colorado.

He was preceded in death by his wife and daughter. Survivors include his son, Foster Paul Stockwell; one grandson; and one great-granddaughter.

CHARLES W. WHITE

Charles W. White, the eldest of six children, was born March 9, 1910 in Madison County, Kentucky to Orus and Bessie Tudor White. He spent many happy days on the family farm in Cuzek, Kentucky and at the general store owned and operated by his grandparents.

He married Grace Webb on January 4, 1932 and to this union were born nine children. Charles became a minister in 1948 and left the family farm to begin his ministry at Bear Creek, Kentucky, in 1951. Serving Methodist churches in Kentucky until 1962, the family moved to Oklahoma where he served churches in Tyrone, Union Center, Sharon, Camargo, Duke, Gould, Mountain View, and Elgin before retiring in 1983.

Charles died on October 29, 1996. He was preceded in death by his wife and two sons. Survivors include three sons, Clinton, Roger, and Wayne; four daughters, Charlotte, Barbara, Jacqueline, and Tressa; twenty-two grandchildren; and twenty great-grandchildren.

CHARLES BERRY WILSON, SR.

Charles B. Wilson, Sr. died on December 23, 1996 at his home in Muskogee. He was born September 16, 1910 in Yellville, Arkansas to Jerome and Virginia Wilson. At age 3, Charles moved with his family to Ft. Smith, Arkansas; there he attended school through Senior High.

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