

CALVIN COOLIDGE WILSON



Calvin Coolidge Wilson passed away in his home surrounded by family on Thursday, May 9, 2024. He was born in Hudson Falls, New York, on August 3, 1937, the youngest of Essie Belle and Albert Wilson's seven children.

A graduate of Hudson Falls High School (1955), Bates College (1959), and Colgate Rochester Divinity School (1963), Calvin was a Presbyterian minister known

for his erudite preaching and compassionate care. Calvin served several churches in New York State, including Odessa Baptist Church, Gates Presbyterian Church, and First Presbyterian Church in Syracuse. In Pennsylvania, he served at Abington Presbyterian Church, Bower Hill Church, Shadyside Presbyterian Church, and Sunset Hills Presbyterian Church. After retirement, he continued his ministry as the Presbyterian Pastor in Residence at First Lutheran Church. A deeply creative Calvin also penned two novels, two plays, and numerous poems.

Calvin will be remembered fondly by his family, friends, and the many congregations he served throughout his life for his keen intellect, sense of humor, passion for music, and the theatrical flair he brought to every occasion.

He is survived by his loving family, devoted wife, Elizabeth Wilson; surviving siblings, Harriette Greaser (NY), Donald Wilson (AL), and Robert Wilson (MD); children: Grant Wilson (Lisa), Andrea Wilson (Frank), Laurel Michels (Dave), Benjamin Chin (Nicola), and Emily Chin; grandchildren, Brittany Schmalfeld (Jack), Chris Wilson (Jenna), Brooke Wilson, Miranda Adlam (Matt), George Adlam, Grant Adlam, Taylor Groat (Ben), David Michels, Jessica Michels, Anjali Chin, and Rajan Chin; great-grandchildren, John Schmalfeld, Harper Schmalfeld, Ava Wilson, Ivy Wilson, Amelia Wilson, Maren Matricardi, and Benny Groat. Services will be held in his honor on Saturday, May 18, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. at the Bower Hill Community Church, 70 Moffett Street, Mt. Lebanon, PA 15243. Memorial donations may be made to The Myositis Association.

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