



Wilton H. Fluegge

September 26, 1922 - March 10, 2019

Wilton H. Fluegge, aged 96, a pastor of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, went home to be with the Lord on March 10, 2019. He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 66 years, Vicky, in 2012. He is survived by his five children: Karen (James) Melang, Paul (Kathy), Ruth, Mark (Michelle), and Philip (Nabila) Fluegge; nine grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren; and his sister, Gladys Aufdenberg. Pastor Fluegge was born on September 26, 1922, to Alvin and Elda Fluegge in Gordonville, Missouri. He graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary in Springfield, Illinois, in June, 1946, and that same month married Victoria Schumacher. Following his ordination, he began his ministry in Texas, starting a new mission church in Uvalde while also serving congregations in Del Rio, La Pryor and Eagle Pass. In 1950, he and his growing family moved to Windsor, Ontario, Canada, when he accepted a call to serve at Peace Lutheran Church. A final move, in 1955, brought him to Michigan where he served at Trinity Lutheran Church in Warren for the next 32 years. In addition to his parish responsibilities, Pastor Fluegge assumed leadership roles with the Michigan District of the LCMS, the Lutheran High School Association, the Lutheran Special Education Ministries, and the Walther League. Following his retirement from full-time church work in 1987, he continued to serve in associate positions at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia and Trinity Lutheran Church in Utica, finally retiring completely from the active ministry at 90. During his lifetime, Pastor Fluegge's world revolved around his faith and his family. He attended thousands of

hours of his kids' and grandkids' athletic and musical performances; enjoyed both domestic and international travel; and would strike up a conversation with anyone and everyone he met. For those who loved him and whose lives he touched there is comfort in knowing that he can now say with certainty "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." Visitation at Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Rd. (3 blks. E. of Van Dyke) Utica Saturday, March 16th from 2:00 - 8:00 p.m. Sunday, March 17th, he will lie in state at 1:00 p.m. until the time of his Funeral Service at 2:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 45160 Van Dyke Avenue, Utica. Entombment Glen Eden Memorial Park - East. Memorials appreciated to: Lutheran Heritage Foundation, Concordia Theological Seminary Scholarship Fund, Lutheran High School Association of Great Detroit, OR Trinity Lutheran Church.

Cemetery Details

Glen Eden Memorial Park - East

19810 26 Mile Rd
Macomb Township, MI 48042-1204

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 16. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317
(586) 731-2411
utica@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

Trinity Lutheran Church
45160 Van Dyke
Utica, MI 48317

Tribute Wall

DT

“ Pastor confirmed me and suggested I go to Lytheran Hifh East. He suggested I become a Deconess for the church.whule this didn't happen,as I look back, I realize Pastor instilled a need for me to serve others. He and I often disagreed but he was one who always encouraged others. For this I thank God for putting him in my lufe

Doris (Dee Meyers) Thalgot - May 03, 2025 at 11:43 AM



“ Celestial Love was purchased for the family of Wilton H. Fluegge.



March 16, 2019 at 07:05 PM

NH

“ The Rhône family was a member of Trinity Warren from 1965-1981. Pastor Fluegge lead Bob, Don and Norma through confirmation classes and was responsible for encouraging Norma to attend Concordia Ann Arbor and spend 28 years teaching in Lutheran schools. Pastor loved the Lord and never forgot your name when he met you! Norma had the pleasure of reuniting with Vickie and him at Trinity's 75th anniversary and Pastor even made a few surprise phone calls following Christmas card exchanges. May God bless his family at this time and know they are rejoicing with his arrival in heaven!

In Christ, The Rhône family

Norma Halfmann - March 16, 2019 at 06:54 PM

RL

“ *I'm going to miss his welcoming smile. He was literally everyone's friend.*

Rev. Allen D. Lunneberg - March 16, 2019 at 10:08 AM

JL

“ *Julie Hoegeman, Steve Meseke, Paul Looker purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Wilton H. Fluegge.*



Julie Hoegeman, Steve Meseke, Paul Looker - March 14, 2019 at 09:34 AM

RJ

“ *What a blessed life he lived. We are truly sorry for your loss, but know he is been looking forward to this time for him a very long time. He touched so many lives just being a Christian man. He will surely be missed. Robin & Mark Jetzke*

Robin Jetzke - March 13, 2019 at 10:52 AM

CR

“ *Karen, I remember you from Lutheran High East. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Cheryl (Franta) Rusiecki.*

cheryl (Franta) Rusiecki - March 13, 2019 at 09:44 AM

PB

My condolences to the Fluegge family. I lived next door at Cobblestone Condos for several years, remembering both Wilton and Vicky very fondly. I regret that I didn't see this notice in time to pay respects. I remember his intense pride in family and fervor for the Lord. He is resting in peace.

Pat Boik

Pat Boik - March 29, 2019 at 11:16 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wilton H. Fluegge.*



March 13, 2019 at 12:14 AM

KS

“ *Mark, sorry to hear about your dad, but what a wonderful life he lived! He had a true servant's heart ❤️ May the knowledge that he is at rest with mom in heaven bring peace and healing to your heart.*

Kathy Fritz Schurig - March 12, 2019 at 09:56 PM

DA

“ *So sorry to hear about the passing of your Dad. He was a wonderful man. We will miss him at Trinity.*

Donna Angott - March 12, 2019 at 09:03 PM

WO

“ *Pastor Fluegge was my Catechism teacher in 1956,57 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Warren, Michigan. Regretfully I missed the opportunity to visit with him again. A good man, may he rest in Peace with our God.*



William Osey - March 12, 2019 at 07:56 AM

RF

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Ron Fluegge - March 11, 2019 at 03:51 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Wilton H. Fluegge.*



March 11, 2019 at 03:16 PM



“ *Dawn of Remembrance Basket was purchased for the family of Wilton H. Fluegge.*



March 11, 2019 at 03:15 PM