



Rev. Whitney James Dough

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Rev. Whitney James Dough, age 90, of Harmony, NC, passed away peacefully on Thursday, February 10, 2011 at the Gordon Hospice House, Statesville, NC. He was born in Philadelphia, PA on Tuesday, November 2, 1920, son of the late Whitney and Ethel Myrtle (Palmer) Dough. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 53 years, Kathleen (Heath) Dough who died on January 27, 2000 and two sons, Ronald and Gregory Dough.

He was raised in Delaware and served in the US Army during WWII, playing in the Army Band. He later graduated from the University of Delaware with a Bachelor's of Arts and then attended Conwell School of Theology at Temple University of Philadelphia. He joined the Florida Conference of the Methodist Church in 1952 and served as pastor at Oneco, West Palm Beach, Wauchula, Lakeland, Coral Gables and Miami. In 1967, he was asked to be the director and speaker in a weekly telecast in Miami, sponsored by the Council of Churches, a ministry he maintained for five years.

In 1970, he and Dr. Herb Bowdin launched a radio ministry called "Methodist Hour" which was heard on over 100 radio stations across America and around the world on short-wave. Rev. Dough was appointed a General Evangelist for the Florida Conference in 1972 and moved to Orlando, FL. He served as President of the National Association of United Methodist Evangelists and in 1965 was given the Philip Award for distinguished service in evangelism.

Rev. Dough has led inspirational tour groups around the world and for ten years specialized in Hymn-Heritage tours across Great Britain. Officially retiring in 1986, Rev. Dough continued to be very active in preaching, tour leading, singing, writing and playing the trombone. He continued to write hymns and had a publication in a calendar-sized booklet entitled "New Hymns for Bible Truths with Familiar Tunes." It featured 11 of Rev. Dough's hymns and pithy sayings of Dr. E. Stanley Jones and still bears a powerful evangelism message for the Church.



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Rev. Dough is survived by two sisters-in-law; Marie Ellis Heath of Harmony, NC and Patsy Heath Vestal of Yadkinville, NC, and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Graveside Service will be held on Thursday, May 12, 2011, at 11:00 AM, at Bethel Methodist Cemetery, Savannah Road, Lewes, DE. Arrangements by Parsell Funeral Homes and Crematorium, Lewes, DE.

Please view Rev. Dough's Life Memorial at www.parsellfuneralhomes.com to sign the online guestbook.

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