



Rev. David McCall Liscomb

January 24, 1933 - April 6, 2021

Rev. David McCall Liscomb of Crystal Falls, MI, passed away at the age of 88 on April 6th in Glendale, AZ, after gallantly battling a long, debilitating illness.

David knew “whose he was and where he was going” and passed from this earth with grace and peace to the arms of his Lord.

David was born January 24, 1933, in Romeo, MI, to Leroy Louis and Ellen Blanche Liscomb and attended schools in Romeo. On October 15, 1955, he married Arlene Steffen of Centerline, MI. Together, they raised four children. Rev. Liscomb was a charter graduate of Oakland University in Rochester, MI, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree and a Master of Divinity Degree from Bexley Hall, the Divinity School of Kenyon College in Gambier, OH. Throughout his life he remained grateful to the high school teacher who submitted a letter of recommendation to the college admissions board on his behalf, believing that David’s persistence in repeating his math class not once but three times was ample evidence of the strength of character and determination that would surely set him on a successful path in college and in life. In kind, he was a strong and loving role model to his kids and grands, always encouraging that they could do anything in life of their choosing if they committed to the work to achieve their dreams. He truly did. An Ordained Minister of the United Methodist Church (UMC), he served a number of churches in Michigan and Ohio, including Escanaba First and Bark River,

Trinity UMC in Iron Mountain, Sault Ste Marie Central and Algonquin UMC, retiring in 1998 after forty-three years in the Ministry. He was a true servant of the Lord, spreading the gospel of Jesus in how he lived and loved on a daily basis. As a retired pastor, he was happy to be in the pew and singing (quite loudly and unashamedly off-key) all his favorite hymns. Fellowship with his “pew-pals” was a treasure. In spite of a visual handicap, he loved to read very large print British mysteries, play cards with his true love, Arlene, solve most of the world’s problems while swimming at their winter condo in Arizona, and tinker around the house. Having characterized his own youth as “largely misspent”, he delighted in the glint in the eyes of a mischievous child, those who lived life to the fullest, and the unconventional. He loved telling a funny story and rarely got to the punch line before bursting at the seams with laughter! Although he appreciated opera, the symphony, and the classics, his eyes joyously runneth over with laugh-tears during his favorite movies “O Brother Where Art Thou” and “Waking Ned Devine”.

He is survived by his loving wife, Arlene of Crystal Falls, MI and Peoria, AZ; an identical twin brother, Robert of Sterling Heights, MI (David being the oldest and best looking); son, Steven (Vanessa) of Amasa, MI; daughter, Candice Liscomb (Greg Stough) of Dakar, Senegal, and daughter, Stephanie West (Terry) of Lexington, VA; five grandchildren, Mercedes Maki (Aaron), Cassandra Poirier (Justin), Kindrina, John, and Stephanie Stough; and great-grandchildren, Eero and Ada Maki, Oliver Poirier and Scout Arlene Poirier.

In addition to his parents, Rev. Liscomb was preceded in death by his son, Andrew Liscomb of Amasa, MI; his beloved cat, Calvin Liscomb; a sister, Roberta Smiles of Romeo, MI; and a brother, George Liscomb of Tavaras, FL.

A Celebration of Life for Rev. Liscomb will be held at Christ United Methodist Church in Crystal Falls, MI, on Sunday, September 5th at 1:00 PM with Pastor Vicky Prewitt officiating. A lunch will follow at Liscomb's Lake House.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Christ United Methodist Church, 20 S. 5th Street, Crystal Falls, MI 49920.

Memorials may be made in his memory.

Condolences to the family of Rev. David McCall Liscomb may be expressed on line at www.nashfuneral.net

The Family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Crystal Falls with arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Romeo Cemetery

Romeo, MI

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP 5. 1:00 PM (CT)

Christ United Methodist Church
20 South 5th St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Liscomb Family,
My deepest condolences at your Father's passing. May your beautiful memories of this lovely man continue to fill your hearts. Whatever soothes your spirit, comforts your soul, and brings you peace is what you are wished at this time.
Ellen House-Harvath

Ellen House-Harvath - April 18, 2021 at 10:29 AM

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“ Rev. and Mrs. Liscomb were a clergy couple in the truest sense of the phrase. They nurtured churches, each in their own capacity. As one of the Prentiss family, I remember them both with love and send my deepest condolences.

Rev. Lisa Cook - April 15, 2021 at 11:15 AM

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“ Dave was a wonderful pastor, he was a counseling Elder for me when I went into the ministry 45 years ago, a great Christian and wonderful friend. Jim Mathews

James Mathews - April 14, 2021 at 06:50 PM