



## The Rev. David C. Mark

April 5, 2020

The Rev. David C. Mark, 92, of Lancaster, PA, died on Sunday, April 5, 2020 at The Mennonite Home after an extended illness.

Born in Hagerstown, MD, he was the husband of Louise Ernst Mark and they celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on September 4th. He was the son of the late Charles and Blanche Shultz Mark.

He was a graduate of Franklin & Marshall College (1948) and The Lancaster Theological Seminary (1951). He was licensed and ordained into the Christian Ministry by the Potomac Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed Church in 1951. He then served as Assistant Pastor of St. Matthew's Church (Evangelical and Reformed) of Baltimore, MD for a period of two years. In 1953, Pastor Mark moved to Lancaster, PA, where he served as Pastor of Faith United Church of Christ for sixteen years. In 1969, he became Pastor of Immanuel United Church of Christ, Cambridge, MD, where he served from 1969-1974.

Pastor Mark was very active in both church and civic affairs during his ministry. In Cambridge, he served as Chairman of the Dorchester County Commission on Aging, Secretary-Treasurer of the Dorchester Ministerial Association, a member of the Board of Directors of Agape, Inc., a halfway house for Dorchester County Alcoholics, functioning under the auspices of the

Eastern Shore State Hospital, and Chairman of the Clergy Division of the Dorchester County United Fund.

In May of 1974, Pastor Mark was installed as the 17th Pastor to serve Tabor United Church of Christ, Lebanon, PA. After retiring in 1992, he did volunteer work at Lancaster General Hospital and worked as an assistant at the Lancaster Law Library for three years.

Pastor Mark was an outdoor enthusiast and enjoyed gardening, boating, camping and hiking.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, James David, husband of Susan Mark, New Jersey, two grandsons, Douglas, husband of Heather Mark and Bryan Mark, and a niece, Susan Wick, New Jersey. He was preceded in death by his sister, Ruth Klitch.

Relatives and friends will be invited to attend Pastor Mark's Memorial Service at The Groffs Family Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc., 528 W, Orange Street, Lancaster, PA on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. The family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Inurnment will take place at Conestoga Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be sent to your church or to the American Red Cross, 1804 N. 6th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120 in David's memory.

# Cemetery Details

## Conestoga Memorial Park

95 2nd Lock Rd  
Lancaster, PA 17603

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **24.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *The Rev. David C. Mark*

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October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *I am sorry for your lost as I know my parents would be if they were still with us. I remember my parents saying they were the 1st to be married by Rev. Mark @ Faith United Church on Duke and Green St. (Carl Pearl & Beulah Buch - 10/24/53). I was baptized by Rev. Mark in 1954. My grandparents lived across from the church for many years, and my grandmother (Helen Buch) was very active in the church and spent many hours with Rev. Mark. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this time.*

*Deborah Pearl McManus*

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**Deborah Pearl McManus** - June 23, 2020 at 11:57 AM



“ *Mrs. Mark and Family,  
I'm sending all of you sincerest condolences at this time of loss from the Gerald Kelley family, former long-time members of Faith United Church of Christ. I was six years old when Rev. Mark became our pastor at the original church on S. Duke and Green Streets. He also officiated at my wedding in 1966. I remember him as being a quiet and gentle man with a warm smile. I know you all will miss him dearly. God Bless!*

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**Kathleen Kelley Ross** - June 21, 2020 at 05:18 PM

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“ Louise and Family,  
Praying for you and your family during this sad time. I got to know you and David during the time my dad, Clarence was at the Mennonite Home. I would leave school and drive to the MH. During supper I would sit at the same table with David. It was a pleasure to help him and the other men at my dad's table. We would often wait a long time until they were served and it was during those times I would listen to him share about his life journey. I kind of got to know what he liked to eat. I knew that his family was special to him. It made me aware about how quickly life seems to pass. Louise you were faithful and kind. I could tell that David led a very active life and I am sure it was an adjustment for him to have to wait on others and get around in a wheelchair. I took time this morning to just sit and think about David and Hank. They had taught me so much about life and their work during those conversations. It gave me pause to stop and think about where I would spend eternity. A very important decision to make in this life. I remember your son and his wife were both music teachers. I don't know if their schools were closed for the rest of the school year. A month ago nobody knew this would be coming. I knew you had two grandsons. I remember around David's birthday last year his grandson got married. I am so glad I got to know you during the time my dad was at the MH. You and your family will be in our prayers.  
Audrey, the middle daughter of Clarence

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**Audrey Yoder** - April 09, 2020 at 09:17 PM

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“ I cared for David for a short period of time while working at MH. I am praying for family during this difficult time. I hope David is surrounded by all of the kittens he could dream of!



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**Cassie S** - April 09, 2020 at 07:33 AM