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MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR THE LIFE OF



William Barber Hollins

July 8, 1925 - November 14, 1988

Thursday, November 17, 1988 6:00 p.m.

LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 641 Masten Avenue Buffalo, New York

The Reverend Melba V. Chaney, Pastor

Stones Of - Remembrance -

William Barber Hollins was born on July 8, 1925 in Atlanta, Ga., the only son of the five children of Walter Hollins and Irene Elvira Flanders. His parents brought him to Buffalo when he was very young, and he has always considered himself a native Buffalonian.

He attended Hampton Institute from 1942 to 1943, while a sailor in the U.S. Navy, and was called to active duty and saw action in the Aleutian Islands theatre during the Second World War. He was honorably discharged April 11, 1946.

He married his college sweetheart, Carol Gwendolyn Newsome on June 28, 1947 and they had three children, Phyllis Irene, Dennis Charles and Leta Christine.

He was employed most of his working life as a machinist at the old Western Electric plant in Tonawanda for twenty eight years.

He was a voracious reader, an award winning horticulturist, a gourmet chef, an original Buffalo Bills fan, a certified travel agent and a ready and able friend to the scores of people who loved his humor, his wise counsel and his zest for life.

A gregarious, friendly happy man, with a warm and magnetic personality, he loved his family, loved to host dinner parties and tailgate gatherings, loved to grow roses, loved children, loved his fraternity, Omega Psi Phi, Phi Omega chapter, which honored him as their "Man of the Year" in 1982, and loved his church, Lincoln Memorial United Methodist.

He is survived by his wife Carol; his three children Phyllis, Dennis and Leta; his sisters Willa Mae Winston of Arlita, Calif., Elaine Snead of Buffalo, Lorraine Holt of Omaha, Nebraska, and by many, many nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends who are family in the truest sense of the word.

He will be sorely missed by all that knew him and by all those whose lives he touched.

- Order of Service -

Organ Prelude from Handel's Messiah Mr. Tim Kennedy
*Congregational Hymn "Christ for the World We Sing" No. 292
Prayer Reverend Chaney
Memorial Tribute Omega Psi Phi Fraternity
Phi Omega Chapter
Solo
Eulogy Dr. Dennis C. Hollins
Instrumental "Ode to Joy" 9th Symphony, 8th Movement Ludwig von Beethoven
Scriptures Psalms 136, 145:3-9; 13-21 I Corinthians 15:51-53
Solo "I Want Jesus To Walk With Me" Mrs. Anderson
Proclamation "Sleeping Stones to Grace: Mercy, Faithfulness, Compassion"
*Congregational Hymn
Organ Postlude

