

Obituary of Al Holden

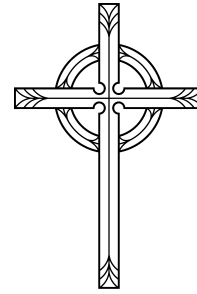
AUGUST 29, 1928 – OCTOBER 6, 2021

Alvin Lewis Holden, 93, of Clearwater, Florida passed away peacefully surrounded by loved ones on October 6, 2021. He was born in Windsor, Ontario Canada on August 29, 1928. He went by Al. He was always an auto man, he worked his way up from a mechanic to a service manager in various locations in Canada and Michigan. The love of cars was always in his blood. Al married Ethel in 1949, and they lived in Amherstburg, Ontario to start a family. In 1967 they moved to Detroit, Michigan. He was always active in church and served as a deacon and an elder. He also participated in the Masonic Lodge becoming a Third-Degree Master Mason. He loved family gatherings during Christmas and summer picnics. Quick witted it and wry one-liners, with much wisdom throughout the years.

He is survived by his loving wife, Ethel; children Jim (Linda), Patricia (Dave), Linda (Doug), Brian, Garry (Diane), Elizabeth (Matt), 12 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by sons John, Donald and daughter-in-law, Mary.

Rev. Dr. E. Chris Curvin, Pastor
Rev. Dr. Paul D. Means, Associate Pastor
Gemma Briggs, Bagpipes



A Witness to the Resurrection



To the Glory of God &
In Loving Memory of

Alvin Louis Holden

August 29, 1928– October 6, 2021

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In Gratitude to God for the Gift of Al Holden

Saturday, November 13, 2021
11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE “Scotland the Brave”
 Bagpipes, Gemma Briggs

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP Paul Means, Associate Pastor

INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS (New King James Version)

Ecclesiastes 12—Christy Thomas
Psalm 121—Susie Baum

SPECIAL MUSIC “Amazing Grace”
 Bagpipes, Gemma Briggs

TIME OF SHARING

NEW TESTAMENT READING (NRSV)

1 Corinthians 13:1-13—Jacob Montgomery

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

MEDITATION

Paul Means

PASTORAL PRAYER

*BENEDICTION

**Please stand if able.*

*The Holden family thanks you for the gift of your presence today
and for every expression of kindness.*

*In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to
Shriners Hospital for Children
P.O. Box 1525
Ranson, WV. 25438*