

Deaths

Louis Christian Nielsen

(BA '54, MA '55, BD '57, MAT '67, DMin '77), 91, died Feb. 11, 2016 in Candler, North Carolina.



Born July 24, 1924 in Copenhagen, Denmark, he was raised on a farm, the oldest of seven boys. He attended the Danish Adventist high school, Vejlefjord, where he worked his way through school and graduated in 1943. While attending a summer camp to learn about literature evangelism, a young girl, Ruth Thoger, caught his eye.

On May 6, 1946, they were married in Stockholm, Sweden, and spent their first year of married life canvassing. The following year he returned to Denmark to fulfill his mandatory military service as a medic. Soon he was holding evangelistic meetings and was assigned a church. In 1952, to fulfill a dream, he immigrated to the United States and earned a BA in theology from Emmanuel Missionary College in Michigan and an MDiv from the seminary in Takoma Park, Maryland, where he was ordained.

In 1958 he became a missionary to West Africa. He served as a pastor and Bible teacher in Ghana and Nigeria and during this time he started a ministerial training school in Ghana so that nationals could minister to their own people. Louis then added the

role of secondary school principal to his duties in Liberia and Sierra Leone. He was active in school development projects, curriculum and facility enhancement, and began campus industries so students could pay their way.

He returned to Andrews in 1965 so that his wife and four young children could receive an American education. Over the next 12 years, while working as a science teacher, he earned a master's degree in education and biology, and a Doctor of Ministry from Andrews University. In 1977 he accepted a call to return to Denmark and served as pastor of several churches, chaplain of the Skodsborg Sanitarium, and Bible teacher at the Skodsborg Physical Therapy School.

In 1981 he returned to Africa where he built and established a mission school in Gambia, serving as principal and pastor. He later was called to Uganda as academic dean at Bugema College. In 1994, he and Ruth retired in Candler, North Carolina. He served briefly as interim principal at Asheville-Pisgah Church School, and was active in the Mt. Pisgah Academy Church.

His hobbies included developing a five-acre animal farm for his grandkids and the youth of the church, travel, genealogy, collecting of beetles, fossils, rocks/minerals, stamps and books. His life and career was defined by his love for God, family and church.

He is survived by his wife **Ruth** (BA '68), two brothers in Denmark, Ib Nielsen and Bent Nielsen, and children, **Jan Nielsen** (BS '74) of Savannah, Georgia; **Anita Grandy** (BS '82) of Candler, North Carolina; **Arne Nielsen** (BS '83) of Silver Spring, Maryland; **Frank Nielsen** (att.) of Seattle, Washington; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Winston Donovan Edwards

(MA '73, DIP5YR '75, MA '95, PhD '03), affectionately known as "Donnie," died Feb. 7, 2016, in Charlotte, North Carolina. He was 67.

Donnie was born August 22, 1948, in The Bahamas to missionary parents.

More than 20 years ago, Donnie was diagnosed with Myasthenia gravis, a chronic autoimmune neuromuscular disease characterized by varying degrees of weakness of the skeletal (voluntary) muscles of the body. But that did not slow him down.

Donnie enjoyed music, especially singing. He loved singing with his brothers. During his early years he also enjoyed singing with the Heralds Quartet in Jamaica and at Andrews University, Michigan. They created two albums in the early 70s titled "The Milky White Way" and "Something Within Me." The members were Donovan Edwards, Garth Edwards, Oswald (Oz) Rugless, and Carlyle Simmons.

Donnie also loved animals, particularly dogs and especially his three-year-old "Pinky."

Over the past five years, he had four major strokes and eight ministrokes. He is one of God's miracles. He was resilient. The family always said he had nine lives. A few months after his first stroke, he preached with an oxygen tank on his back. Donnie was caring, loving and had a get-up-and-go that was remarkable.

Donnie served as a pastor in Kingston, Jamaica after completing college with a BA in religion in 1969 from West Indies College. After graduation, he served as a pastor in the East Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists until 1971 when he opted for higher education in the U.S. He joined the work-study program at Andrews University



in 1971, remaining there until 1976. That same year he returned to Jamaica to join the staff at his alma mater, NCU, functioning as the associate dean of men, and moving into ascendancy as the dean in January 1978.

He moved with his family to Florida in 1981 where he pastored for more than ten years. In 1991 they moved back to Andrews University where he studied for and completed the PhD in counseling psychology. In 2000, he moved to the Arizona Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in Scottsdale, where he served as an assistant to the president for African American Ministries. He also served as a church pastor until his retirement in 2013.

He leaves behind a rich legacy for his loved ones: **Judith Carol (Brennen) Edwards** (att.); his three sons: **Donovan II** (att.), **Jonathan** (att.) and Adam; one daughter-in-law and one grandchild: Jackie (Jonathan's spouse) and Pennykat (granddaughter); also his brothers: Desmond of Nassau, The Bahamas, **Garth** (BSMT '74) of Chicago, Illinois, and Barry of Cape Coral, Florida; and one sister: Marlene Walter of Miami, Florida.

Lillian Moore, 82, died on Feb. 3, 2016 in Thousand Oaks, California.

She was born on Jan. 9, 1934. She taught for both Hinsdale Sanitarium and Andrews



University at the Hinsdale Hospital campus from 1962–1985.

While working for the Andrews University Department of Nursing, she received a Master of Nursing from St Xavier College in 1972. She received her EDD from UCLA in 1991.

She is survived by her siblings Ruby White, **Lois Barrett** (att.) and Jesse Cooley; her daughters **Kathy Roth** (BS '81) and Konnie Beasant; her son **Kenneth Moore** (BS '83) and six grandchildren.

Kathryn B. “K.B.” Myers-Parker (former staff), 97, formerly of Berrien Springs, died Feb. 3, 2016, at Brookdale Senior Living in Greeneville, Tennessee.

K.B. was born March 15, 1918, in Enosburg Falls, Vermont, the



daughter of Chester and Margie (Wells) Durgin. On Dec. 28, 1937, she married Richard Myers, and they moved to Berrien Springs in 1960. In addition to caring

for her family, she was the head cashier for Andrews University from 1961–1981.

She was a member of Pioneer Memorial Church. Her hobbies included composing music, especially for children, with many songs published; and flower arranging with the Garden Forum. In 2001, she moved to Fletcher, North Carolina, where she volunteered for the Park Ridge Hospital Auxiliary.

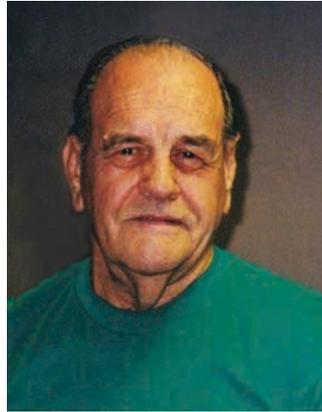
Survivors include her sister, Martha (John) Warden; children **Richard Jr.** (BMus '63, MMus '68) and his wife **Myrna** (BMus '63, MA '69) of Winter Haven, Florida; **Frederick** (BA '65) and his wife **Barbara** (BA '63) of Greeneville, Tennessee; **Martha** (BS '70) of Forest Falls, California; and Jonathan of Elkton, Florida and Winslow, Arizona; five grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

K.B. was preceded in death by her husband, **Richard W. Myers Sr.** (att., former faculty); and her second husband, **Albert Roland Parker** (MA '54, BD '55).

Paul Floyd Cress (BA '54), 89, of Berrien Springs, Michigan, died on Jan. 31, 2016.

Paul was a builder, woodworker, devoted husband, father and deacon. Always attentive to detail, Paul is fondly remembered by family and close friends for his calm methodical way of constructing custom homes for many residents of Berrien County.

Born April 9, 1926 in Whetstone Township, Crawford County, Ohio, Paul was the middle of three sons of Chester and Martha Cress. Paul was an alumnus of Emmanuel Missionary College (now Andrews University) where he met his future wife, **Dorothy Hannum** (DIP2YR '51). Paul and Dorothy celebrated their 55th anniversary June 14, 2008. Dorothy passed away in July 2008.



Paul served in the Philippines during WWII as a Staff Sergeant and was delegated the job of Assistant Sergeant Major and Chief of Services Records. He supervised three men and was payroll clerk for the division.

Paul learned the building trade by helping his father build barns—the old-fashioned way. No air-powered tools then, only wrists and hands that were strong. He applied this skill while in college, working at the College Wood Products factory on the EMC campus.

Shortly after graduating, he took a job with a residential construction firm. Leaving the firm in 1961, he and his friend/coworker, **Virgil Tackett** (BA '55), formed Tackett and Cress Custom Home Builders, a quality home construction partnership that built 153 homes and lasted until their retiring years.

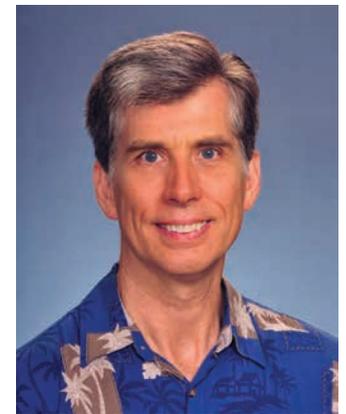
Surviving are his son **Daniel** (AET '77, BET '79, current staff) and his wife **Cami** (BS '85) and their children **Kristina** (current student), Meira and **Benjamin** (BBA '15) **Cress**; and daughter **Gely** (BS '81) and her husband **Mike** (BSMT '97) **Stiles**, all of Berrien Springs, Michigan.

After a courageous six-month battle with acute myeloid leukemia, **Gary Glenn Johnson** (BBA '85) passed to his rest on Jan. 11, 2016 in Portland, Oregon.

Gary was born August 25,

1961, in Erie, Pennsylvania, the son of Glenn and Carlene (Heid) Johnson. As a boy he attended Lake Erie Junior Academy, collected baseball cards and exhibited a remarkable ability to recall statistics and players.

In 1980 he graduated from Blue Mountain Academy in Hamburg, Pennsylvania, putting in many long hours at Harris Pine Mills Inc. making furniture. Gary furthered his education at Andrews University graduating in 1985 with a BBA in accounting. Between his sophomore and junior years he served as a student missionary in Malawi, Africa, doing accounting work at a leprosy treatment center. Gary eventually finished his CPA and MBA.



Gary began his career in the Treasury Department of the Northern California Conference. Beginning as an intern accounting clerk, Gary worked his way up to under treasurer and served NCC a total of 12 years.

Gary joined Adventist Contact and met the love of his life, Candice Jaqua, who was the principal at Santa Barbara Adventist School in California. They were married on June 25, 1989, in the Santa Barbara Adventist Church. They loved to worship together, go on bike rides and hikes, enjoyed owning a boat, water and snow skiing, snorkeling, sports and eventually traveling to some 50 countries together. Their

On the evening of Jan. 18, 2016, **Esther Leonora Hare** (former staff), 94, died at home as a result of heart failure.

Esther was born in Mussoorie, India, in the foothills of the Himalayas, on May 14, 1921. She was the younger of two daughters of Robert James and Leonora Borrowdale, Seventh-day Adventist missionaries from Plymouth, England.

Esther spent her early childhood among the Santal ethnic minority, in mission schools where her parents taught. She would often accompany her father, a trained nurse, on his visits to the Santal villages, and would listen as he talked with the village elders, thus acquiring the language naturally. She remained able to speak and read Santali all her life.

At the age of 9, she was sent to Vincent Hill School in Mussoorie, where she studied until the age of 16 and passed the Senior Cambridge exam with high marks. She traveled to the U.S. just before the outbreak of World War II, to study secretarial science and accounting at Pacific Union College in Angwin, California. It was there that she met **Leonard Hare** (former faculty), son of missionaries to Burma. They were married in 1943 and left immediately with Burma as their destination.

Because of dangerous wartime travel conditions, they didn't reach Burma until 1945.



Their mission school was located among the Karen ethnic minority, deep in the jungle and at the heart of a civil war that rages to this day. In 1949, the Burmese government expelled the missionaries, along with other foreigners, but the Hares kept in touch with their Karen friends. In July of 2015, Esther was honored at a reunion of Karen people held on the Andrews University campus.

From 1951 to 1956 the Hares served at Raymond Memorial Training School in Falakata, India, where Leonard was principal. Esther oversaw the girls' dormitory and the food preparation as well as teaching classes. She stayed in touch with many of her students over the years and regularly spent time with the local Indian community in Berrien County.

After returning to the U.S. and settling

in Takoma Park, Maryland, with their two children, Esther supported the family by working as a secretary while Leonard obtained his doctorate in botany.

In 1961 the family moved to Berrien Springs, where Leonard joined the biology department at Andrews University. Esther was offered a position in the business office when it was learned that she had managed to save up a down payment for a house during the lean missionary and student years.

By the time of her retirement in 1986, Esther was the financial aid officer for Andrews University, influencing the education of hundreds of students.

From 1986 until Leonard's death in 2009, the Hares enjoyed retirement in Berrien Springs as well as travel on three continents.

Esther possessed a green thumb as well as nimble fingers. Her hobbies over the years have included gardening, both outdoors and in her greenhouse, china painting, oil painting, quilting, embroidery, and knitting. She was part of Demetra Andreassen's knitting group, which focuses on knitting winter scarves for children in need locally and overseas.

Esther was preceded in death by her husband, Leonard Hare, and her son, Dennis Hare. She is survived by her daughter **Janet (Penny) Tkachuck** (BA '69).

marriage lasted over 26 years, 15 of which were spent in mission service with their children Trevor and Julia.

Their son, Trevor, was born in Antioch, California on Jan. 12, 1995. He is a sophomore pre-law/business management major at La Sierra University.

On Christmas Eve 1996 Gary got a call from the General Conference Missions Office to serve as assistant treasurer of the newly forming Southern Asia Pacific Division in Singapore. After eight months, the Far Eastern Division Office split into two new locations and the Johnsons relocated to the Philippines. Gary served there for eight years, finishing as the

under treasurer of the Southern Asia Pacific Division. Gary covered 18 countries in his church work and the family traveled together to many Asian countries.

Soon after the transition to the Philippines, Julia Cherie' was born on Feb. 20, 1998, at the Portland Adventist Medical Center.

Candice home schooled Trevor and Julia from kindergarten through third grade, but feeling the need to have them in a regular school setting the family moved to Guam in 2005, where they attended Guam Adventist Academy. Gary took the post as treasurer of the Guam Micronesia Mission. After 3½ years in Guam, Gary accepted an invitation to serve as the treasurer of the

Hawaii Conference on the island of Oahu, where he completed seven years of service.

Gary is survived by his wife, Candice (Jaqua); his son Trevor and daughter Julia; parents **Glenn** (former faculty) and **Carlene** (former staff) **Johnson** of Berrien Springs, Michigan; sister **Janice** (BS '83) and **David** (BA '83) **Kijak** of Bellingham, Washington; and brother-in-law, **Charles Jaqua** (att.) of Hawaii.

He is also survived by four nephews, two nieces, uncles, aunts and cousins.

George R. Moshos (att.), 60, of Cliffwood Beach, New Jersey, passed away Jan. 6, 2016, at Jersey Shore University Medical

Center, Neptune.

George was born in Ohio and was a self-employed physician's assistant.

George was predeceased by his parents. He is survived by two brothers. George will be missed and fondly remembered by family and friends.

Reuben G. Manalaysay, member of the Andrews University Board of Trustees from 1971 to 1982, passed away on Jan. 4, 2016 in Toronto, Canada at the age of 100.

He is survived by his wife of almost 74 years, Raquel S. Manalaysay, two children, three grandchildren, two great grandchildren and one sister.

Philip T. Zachariah (BSMT '86), MD, 50, died Dec. 11, 2015, in York, Pennsylvania.

Born Jan. 24, 1965, in Pune, India, a son of Violet (Wann) Zachariah, of Garden City, California and the late **George Zachariah** (former staff), he completed his undergraduate studies at Kettering College in Ohio and graduate studies at Loma Linda University School of Medicine in California. As an internist, he had practiced in Maine and Pennsylvania.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by a son, William G. Zachariah of York; his former spouse, Mary K. Lemmon, of York; and two sisters, **Georgia Weichel** (att.) and **Valsala Zachariah** (att.).

Margrace R. Ladd (BS '66), 72, of Bridgman, Michigan, died on Nov. 26, 2015.

Margrace was born Feb. 8, 1943, in Decatur, Indiana, the daughter of Growe and Irene (Shiver) Rupe. She was an elementary school teacher for five years. She was an accomplished pianist, teaching piano



lessons and providing accompaniment in the community. She also served as a chaplain for Memorial Hospital in St. Joseph, and was a member of the Berrien Springs Optimist Club.

She will be missed by her daughter, Brenda Lee Ladd,

of Conway, South Carolina; two grandchildren and one great-grandson; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Don and Mary Dockerty; nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, **David Ladd** (BA '64, MA '70), in 2005; her parents; and a sister, Sara Boutwell.

Alfred Clinton Schnell (MA '63, BD '67), 93, of Jones, Oklahoma, died on Nov. 26, 2015.

Born Sept. 18, 1922 in Hominy, Oklahoma, he was the son of Alfred Schnell and Esther (Hamilton) Schnell.



Alfred had been both an engineer and a minister during his life. He loved reading and Bible studies, vegetable gardening, golf, snow skiing, woodworking, and traveling. Alfred had traveled the world as an engineer.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Gladys Mae Preston.

Survivors include his wife Shirley Schnell, two sons, Mark Schnell of California; and Charles Schnell and his wife Lisa of Tennessee; two daughters, Kathy (Dentzel) Landstreet of Georgia; and Karen (Delbert) Gilman of Jones, Oklahoma; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two brothers, Ralph Schnell of New York and Arnold Schnell of Oregon; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Helen Inez Stevens Guth (BA '40), 97, died Nov. 25, 2015, in Walla Walla, Washington.

Helen was born to missionary parents in Entre Rios, Argentina on Jan. 15, 1918.

She graduated in 1940 from Emmanuel Missionary College (now Andrews University). Helen married **Grant Eliot Guth** (BA '41) on June 1, 1941. She spent her years as a teacher, teaching French and also served as a librarian until her retirement in 1983.

Helen was a people person who made many friends and kept in touch with them when she moved from place to place. She was a lifelong member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and helped at the College Place Community Service Center for many years.

Helen is survived by her four sons and their wives: **William** (BA '67) and **Sharon** (att.) **Guth**, The Dalles, Oregon; **Richard** (BA '70) and Kathlene Guth, Loma Linda, California; Ronald and Judy Guth, Ukiah, California; and **Leonard** (BA '79) and Rena Guth, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; nine grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by both parents, her husband Grant E. Guth, and stepmother **Grace** (BA '1916) Evans-Stevens-Green-Lundquist.

William Francis Farver (BA '50, MA '61), 93, passed away Nov. 6, 2015, at home in Cottonwood, Arizona.

He was born Dec. 26, 1921 in West Bridgewater, Pennsylvania.

William is survived by his wife Irene (Friesen) Farver (BS '50) and daughters **Lahna Farver** (BS '73, MAT '77) and **Janis Farver** (BA '69).

Margaret (Steeves) Roy (att., former staff), 94, died Sept. 7, 2015, in Bradenton, Florida.

Margaret was born on June 13, 1921 in Paterson, New Jersey. After graduating from North

Plainfield Academy she attended Madison College in Tennessee. She then moved to Washington, D.C., where she became secretary to the director of the Youth Department of the Potomac Conference for three years.

Returning to school at Union College, she met **Norman J. Roy** (former faculty), and they were married on Aug. 31, 1947. Moving to Sheyenne River Academy in Harvey, North Dakota, Margaret became secretary to the principal and taught some classes. In 1953 they moved to Lodi Academy where Margaret was asked to be secretary to the principal.

They joined the faculty of Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster, Massachusetts in 1957. Margaret became secretary to the college president in 1960 and served in this capacity under five presidents.

In 1973 Margaret and Norman accepted a call to Andrews University, and Margaret served as secretary to presidents Richard Hammill, Joseph Smoot and W. Richard Leshner. She retired in 1987.

Through the years she was active in the ministries of several churches was ordained an elder in the Berrien Springs Village Church. In 1994 the Roys moved to Hendersonville, North Carolina, where Margaret continued to live after Norman's death in 1998.

She was active as a volunteer at Park Ridge Hospital for many years. In July 2014 she moved to her daughter's home in Parrish, Florida, where she continued to be active in the Palmetto Church until her death.

She is survived by her two daughters and sons-in-law, **Sherryl** (att.) and **Colin** (MDiv '78) Rampton of Parrish, Florida, and **Sandra** (BS '78) and **Dale** (att.) **Schmid** of Freeport, Illinois, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.