

## THE REVEREND RICHARD K. SCHULTZ

March 12, 1941 - May 9, 2020

Richard Karl Schultz of Erie died and entered the Church Triumphant on Saturday, May 9, 2020, at Edinboro Manor. The son of Enoch and Phyllis Schultz, Richard (Dick) was born in Jackson, Michigan on March 12, 1941 and raised in Akron, OH. He was the oldest of three children.

Dick was a 1963 graduate of Thiel College in Greenville, PA and of the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago, IL in 1967. He continued his formal studies in a doctoral program of San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, CA.

Pastor Schultz, ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament on May 16, 1967, served the following calls during his ministry:

Mount Hope, Marshall, MI	1967 - 1973
Grace, Albion, MI	1970 - 1973
Holy Cross, Westland, MI	1973 - 1980
Bethany Lutheran, Erie, PA	1980 - 1984
First Lutheran, Edinboro, PA	1984 - 1987
St. Paul's, Erie, PA	1987 - 2007

Following his retirement in July 2007, Richard served as an interim pastor at St. John's, Erie, PA (2012) and St. Stephen's, Erie, PA (2013-2014).

In addition to his dedication to parish ministry, Pastor Schultz was active in district/synodical, ecumenical, community, youth, and teaching ministries. He served as a mentor, an internship supervisor, and the first leader of the Pastoral Identity and Formation program for TEEM students in the NWPA Synod.

Survivors include his college sweetheart and wife of 54 years, Lois (Burkett) Schultz; daughters Kristianne Zaleski (Mark) and Karlyn Schultz; grandson Mitchell DePaul and three great-grandchildren: Anthony, Sabashton and Giovanna. Also surviving are a sister, Marilyn J. Schultz, and brother, Jack Schultz.

A private inurnment was held in May at Luther Memorial Church, Erie, PA. A memorial service was held on October 24, 2020 at Luther Memorial Church with the Rev. Michael L. Lozano, Bishop, and the Rev. William E. Coleman, presiding.