

Dr. Billy M. Apostolon
April 8, 1930 – October 28, 1987

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Apostolon Dead at 57



APOSTOLON

Dr. Billy M. Apostolon Sr., 57, of 1406 Greenbrier Drive, died Wednesday, Oct. 28, at 5:30 a.m. at a Princeton hospital following a long

illness.

Born April 8, 1930, at Hinton, he was the son of the late George and Virginia Bone Apostolon.

Dr. Apostolon was a lifelong resident of Hinton, a Protestant, a re-tired Summers County School teacher, served as chaplain at the West Virginia State Prison for Women at Pence Springs for 20 years and had pastored several churches in Southern West Virginia.

He was a 1948 graduate of Hinton High School, received his bachelor's degree from Concord College, a master's degree from West Virginia University and a master's degree from Radford University.

He received his doctor of philosophy degree, doctorate of literature and doctorate of divinity from the

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Baptist Christian University in Shreveport, La. He was listed in Who's Who in Religious Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans and during his lifetime he had written more than 30 books.

A Phi Delta Kappan, Apostolon, has been chosen for listings in Who's Who In Religion, Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans, West Virginia Encyclopedia, Who's Who in the South, Men of Achievement International, The Biographical Dictionary Book of Honor, International Authors Who's Who, International Who's Who In Community Service and Personalities of America. He is also an Honorary Member of the Victorian Baptist Preacher's Society of Australia and an Honorary Member of the International Platform Association.

He is the author of 30 books of sermons, sermon outlines, illustrations and poetry which are designed to assist ministers and Christian workers in their sermon preparation. Twenty-four of these have been published and distributed to the far corners of the world.

He also received an Honorary Doctor Of Literature from Baptist Christian College and earned a Doctor of Philosophy from Baptist Christian University.

He was preceded in death by a half sister, Ruth Cales Sears and a half brother Johnny McCloud.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Angell Apostolon; a son, Billy M. Apostolon Jr. at home; two daughters, Mary Wyrick of Pipestem and Sarah Calhoun of Kingsport, Tenn.; a brother, Demetrius Apostolon of Hinton; four grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Friday October 30 at 2 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church in Hinton with Revs. Elmo Renegar and Wallace Smith, Dr. Robert Keaton and Roy Lewis Carter officiating. Burial followed in the Restwood Memorial Gardens at Hinton.

The body was at the Ronald Meadows Funeral Parlors in Hinton and at the church one hour prior to the services.

Pallbearers were Dr. S.K. Shammaa, Dr. David Ofsa, Dr. Basim Ahmed, John McFall, Rev. Roger Persinger, Rev. John S. Akinson, Larkin Calhoun, Roy B. Carter and Richard P. Baylor.