Pall Bearers

Roger Casteline
Richard Halberg
Edward Stewart
Donald Casteline
Philip Halberg
Anthony Brock

Children

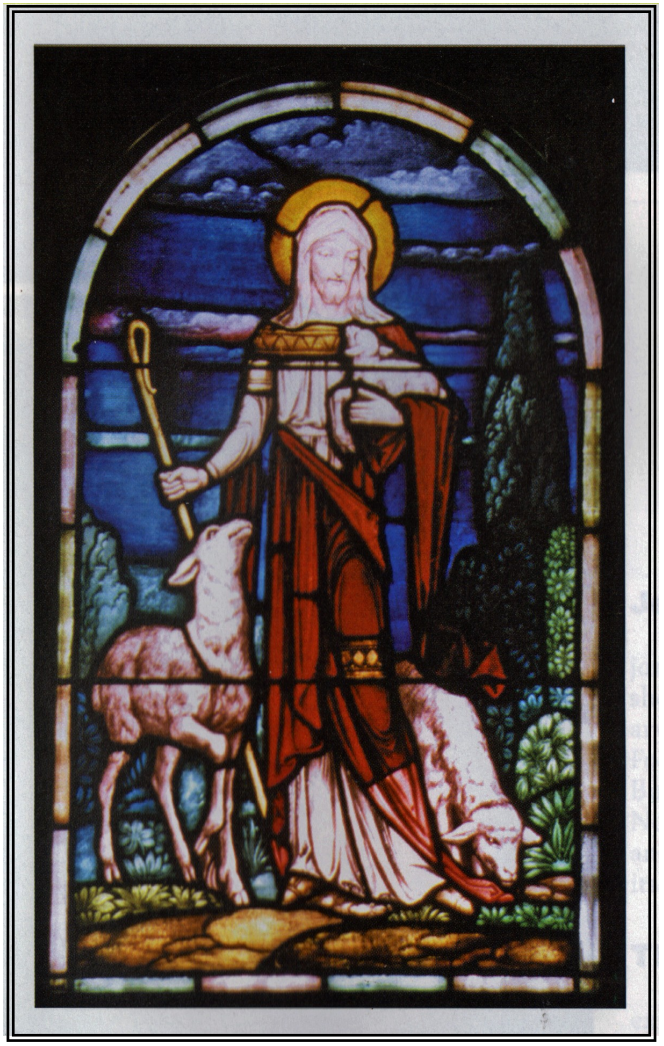
Shona Casteline (Roger)
Ginny Halberg (Dick)

Grandchildren

Sheryl Stewart (Ed)
Don Casteline (Lora)
Phil Halberg (Kathy)
Jill Brock (Anthony)

Great Grandchildren

Lisabeth Stewart
Daniel Stewart
Tyler Casteline
Nataley Brock
Jamin Brock
Andia Brock
Conner Halberg
Ryan Halberg



Isobel Margaret Lamb Alexander

November 16, 1921—January 31, 2014

Houghton Wesleyan Church
Houghton, New York
February 8, 2014
2:00 P.M.

In your unfailing love you will lead the people you have redeemed. In your strength you will guide them to your holy dwelling.

Exodus 15:13

I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day--and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

II Timothy 4: 7-8

Prelude Jane Allen

In His Presence Sharon Johnson, piano
arr. G. Halberg

Prayer

Greeting

Hymn 49 ***Children of the Heavenly Father***

Scripture Reading Psalm 23 Lisabeth Stewart
Psalm 27: 1-6 Phil Halberg

Words of Remembrance
Sheryl Stewart
Sandy Roederer
Don Casteline

The Lord is My Shepherd/All the Way My Savior Leads Me
Debbie Shea, violin
Ginny Halberg, piano

Homily The Lord is My Shepherd Pastor Wes Oden

Hymn ***When We All Get to Heaven*** (insert)

Benediction

Postlude

The family invites you to join them for a light meal in the church Community Room following the service and burial .

ISOBEL MARGARET LAMB ALEXANDER

November 16, 1921 to January 31, 2014

A red-haired, freckled Scottish lassie named Isobel was born on November 16, 1921 in Edinburgh, Scotland. As a child, she loved to go for long walks with her father. She shared many stories with us of her early years in Scotland—going trout fishing with her Dad, playing field hockey in school, hiking in the Highlands and loving to pick the Scottish heather to take home to her Mother. She also loved to read and study. While still a young girl, she accepted Christ as her Savior and vowed to follow Him all of her life.

She attended Edinburgh University where she met David (her future husband) at an Intervarsity Fellowship meeting. After graduating with a Liberal Arts degree, she worked for the British Admiralty during World War II as a technical officer. She had to decipher and calculate the electrical currents that surrounded each of the British ships in order to protect them from mines. She knew if she made a mistake, many lives could be lost. During this period David was in the British Army stationed in London. They were married in 1943 and shortly after their wedding he was sent to Italy for a year. He was not allowed to send any communications to Isobel regarding his location with the Army so they established their own private code—the first letter of the 3rd sentence of each paragraph would spell out where he was located. At least she could know where he was positioned. Isobel had now been transferred by the British Admiralty to work in London and she experienced several narrow escapes during the bombing raids.

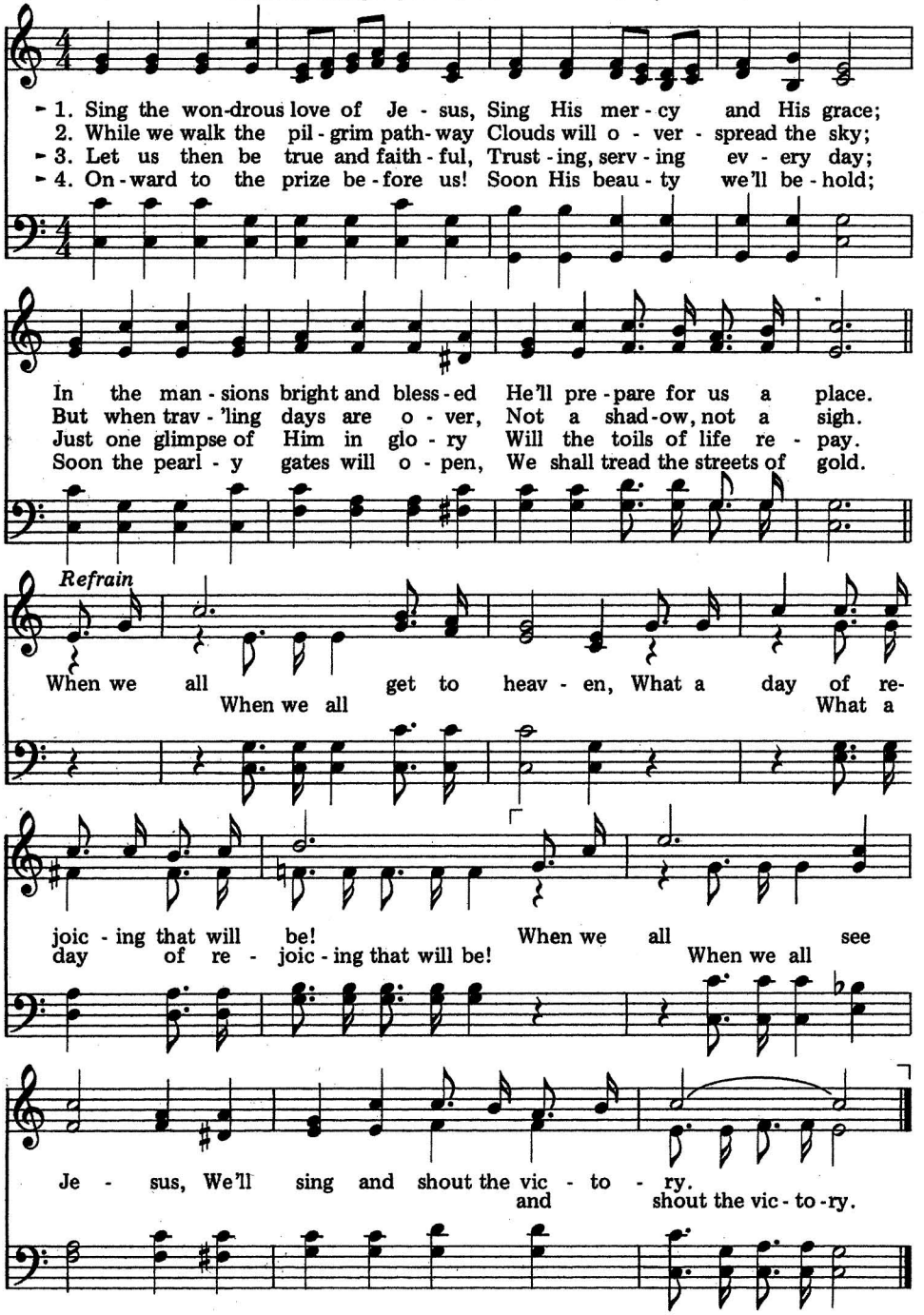
After the war ended, David was asked to serve in the United Nations in New York. It was a difficult decision for them because they had to leave their families behind but they felt strongly that God was leading them to this new life in the United States. They lived on Long Island for several years and then moved to northern New Jersey. Isobel was actively involved in the church they attended there. She enjoyed teaching Sunday School, being a Pioneer Girl leader and serving as a deaconess for many years. She also enjoyed entertaining many missionaries in their home.

She and David loved to travel to Europe and they especially enjoyed times they spent visiting their families in Scotland and Switzerland. One of Isobel's favorite places to vacation was Wengen, Switzerland—a lovely little village in the Swiss Alps.

When David retired from the UN in 1976, they felt God was leading them to move to Houghton. They spent 30 happy years in their home on Fancher Heights. Three months before David died in 2009, they celebrated 65 years of marriage.

Her children and grandchildren will always remember her as a gentle, kind and loving mother and Nana. We know that she prayed faithfully for all of us and she often shared how thankful she was that all of the family had made the decision to follow the Lord as she had done so many years before. She loved living in her home with David while here on earth but now the Lord has taken her to a new and glorious eternal home and we rejoice that she is in His presence for evermore.

When We All Get to Heaven

We . . . will be caught up . . . to . . . be with the Lord forever. 1 Thess. 4:17

TEXT: Eliza E. Hewitt
MUSIC: Emily D. Wilson

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