



The Rev. John Philip Kline

December 26, 2022

The Rev. John Philip Kline entered into life eternal on December 26, 2022. He was a resident of Cornwall Manor in Cornwall, PA. since 2004. He was born in Williamstown, PA. on November 17, 1931, the son of LeRoy J. and Kathryn D. Kline. He graduated from Camp Hill High School in 1949, earned a Bachelor of Science in agronomy from Penn State University in 1951, and served in the U.S. Army in Japan from 1953 to 1955. Following his discharge, he earned a master's degree in agronomy from Penn State. He enrolled in the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg, PA and was ordained in 1960. He was pastor of the following Lutheran parishes: Pleasant Valley (Kresgeville, Gilbert, Kunkletown, Effort); Jerusalem Western Salisbury, Allentown; Holy Trinity, Hazleton; Trinity, Kingston; and St. Johns Slovak, Nanticoke. He also served as interim pastor at Palm, Palmyra, and St. James, Lebanon. He was employed by the Volunteers of America in Wilkes Barre in the foster care program, and in Ashland preparing parolees for their GED tests. He also initiated a very successful poetry therapy program at the Schuylkill County prison.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy Henry Kline, a son Thomas, grandson Matthew, and daughter-in-law Renee Courey of Sausalito, CA. and a sister, Anna Schell of Myerstown, PA.

Arrangements are being made by the Trexler Funeral Home, Allentown, PA. A

memorial service will be held at Messiah Lutheran Church in Lebanon at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Department of Finance, Cornwall Manor, P.O. Box 125, Cornwall, PA. 17016 (benevolent care), or to the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Slovakia - payable to International Relations Committee in care of the Rev. Thomas J. Drobena, P.O. Box 1003, Torrington, CT 06790 (memo: Seminary in Bratislava).

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“ Christopher K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of The Rev. John Philip Kline.

Christopher K. - October 05, 2023 at 03:10 PM