

BE IT RESOLVED, that this 108th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania express thanks to those friends who have maintained a prayer vigil throughout the proceedings of this Convention, especially the Episcopal Church Women and St. John's, Franklin and Trinity, New Castle's chapters of the Daughters of the King.

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania, gathered in Niagara Falls, New York, for its One Hundred and Eighth Convention on October 27, 2018 remembers with gratitude the life and witness of the following servants of God:

The Rev. William Alley French died Friday, July 13, 2018. He was born in Williamson, West Virginia on January 2, 1933 and grew up in Pittsburgh after his family moved there. He attended Edinboro State Teachers College (now Edinboro University of Pennsylvania) graduating in 1957 after his studies were interrupted while he served in the Army, stationed in Germany. He then taught history, communications, social studies and law at Brookville High School for the next 36 years where he served in many capacities in the extra-curricular life of the

school, especially as director of the high school musicals. It was at the school that he met a new secretary, Andrea, and they married in 1959. He continued his education at Indiana University of Pennsylvania which included studies in India.

A sense of call to the priesthood had nagged him throughout his life and he answered that call in the latter part of his teaching career, being ordained to the diaconate in 1991 and the priesthood in 1992. Fr. Bill served many congregations in the diocese over the next 19 years including Clearfield, Houtzdale, Smethport, Emporium, Franklin, Oil City,

DuBois, and Titusville. He was an early example of the locally trained priests and deacons who later became a significant part of diocesan life. He undertook his ministry with a positive and energetic spirit, grateful for the opportunity to fulfill the calling that had long beckoned him.

Fr. Bill is survived by two sons and four grandchildren.

Charl Ann Kapp died Wednesday, May 16, 2018. She was born December 1, 1936 in Oil City. Charl graduated from Oil City High School and attended nursing school in Oil City, graduating in 1957. She was married to George William Kapp in 1957, who preceded her in death in 2000. She worked for Adagio Health – The Family Council until her retirement in 2002. Charl was ordained to the diaconate in 1996 and remained based at her home parish, Christ Church, Oil City. She was tirelessly faithful to her diaconal ministry in church and community as a leader and advocate.

Among her community ministries, she served in the areas of domestic violence, restorative justice for youth, and those living with AIDS. Deacon Charl's outreach extended to Tanzania where she made four trips and initiated a milk fund for hospitalized orphans in that country.

She is survived by two sons, a daughter, seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

It is most fitting that the parish hall at Christ Church, Oil City will be named in her honor, lifting up her example of earnest concern and active service on behalf of God's beloved who are in need.

The Convention directs the Secretary to appropriately communicate the actions of this resolution to the principal survivors and stands in a moment of silence to commend to God's mercy this person and all other members and friends of our diocese who have died since our last convention.

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord;
And let light perpetual shine upon them.

May their souls, and the souls of all the departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*