



Rev. Edward R. McFarland

February 16, 1949 - September 5, 2024

Rev. Edward Ray McFarland, 75, of Richmond, IN, passed away September 5, 2024. He was born February 16, 1949 to the late Rev. Robert L. and Marjorie E. (Guinn) McFarland and was a graduate of Marion High School. Edward married Donna M. Velarde on August 19, 1966. He received his bachelor's degree from Indiana University East and his Doctor of Divinity from Earlham School of Religion and Bethany Seminary. He was a journeyman electrician, IBEW, for over 57 years and a member of the Wayne County Ministerial Association.

Edward was an ordained minister of UPCI for over 40 years and was a hospice chaplain for ASERACARE for 20 years. He was instrumental in founding the Wayne County Jail Chaplaincy program which continues today, he also served in the Reid Hospital Chaplaincy program for over 20 years and was Interim President at the International Bible College, Jerusalem in 2005. Two areas in his chaplaincy which he excelled in were pastoral care to those who were critically ill and conducting funeral services.

Edward was the Pastor of Calvary Church for over 22 years and currently served as Pastor Emeritus as well as teaching the Adult Sunday School Class.

Visitation will be Friday, September 13, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. until the time of service at 6:00 p.m. at Calvary Church, 3600 SR 121, Richmond, Indiana. Graveside services will be conducted Saturday, September 14, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. at Grant Memorial Park Cemetery, 1606 W. 26th Street, Marion, IN.

Edward is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Donna M. McFarland; children, Jeanette L. McFarland and Rev. Jose (Jenni) McFarland; grandchildren, Eddie R. McFarland III and Lola J. McFarland; brother, Rev. Robert L. (Beth) McFarland; and sister, Lois M. (Rev. Garry) Truman, and a host of loving nieces, nephews, and in-laws.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Calvary Church, 3600 SR 121, Richmond, IN 47374.

Final care and arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN.

Cemetery Details

Grant Memorial Park Cemetery

1606 West 26th Street
Marion, IN 46953

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 13. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Calvary Church
3600 State Road 121
Richmond, IN 47374

Funeral Service

SEP 13. 6:00 PM (ET)

Calvary Church
3600 State Road 121
Richmond, IN 47374

Graveside Service

SEP 14. 1:00 PM (ET)

Grant Memorial Park Cemetery
1606 West 26th Street
Marion, IN 46953

Tribute Wall

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“ We send our love to all the family and will continue to pray for you in the days ahead. We share so many shared memories and a wonderful heritage. Certainly, he will be missed.

Arlie and Becki Enis - September 14, 2024 at 06:39 PM

DG

“ I will always cherish the love and support that I received from Ed as a colleague in ministry here in Richmond. I will hold your family in the Light during this sacred time of remembering and honoring his love and service.

Shalom,
David Garman

David Garman - September 13, 2024 at 08:25 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. Edward R. McFarland.



September 12, 2024 at 02:19 PM

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“ Love The Polaski Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rev. Edward R. McFarland.

Love The Polaski Family - September 12, 2024 at 02:19 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. Edward R. McFarland.



September 12, 2024 at 10:38 AM



“ Families of Larry and Aaron Arrowood planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rev. Edward R. McFarland.

Families of Larry and Aaron Arrowood - September 12, 2024 at 10:38 AM



“ Andrew & Leah Arrowood purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Rev. Edward R. McFarland.



Andrew & Leah Arrowood - September 10, 2024 at 11:14 PM



“ Andrew & Leah Arrowood planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rev. Edward R. McFarland.

Andrew & Leah Arrowood - September 10, 2024 at 11:14 PM

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“ Uncle Bill, Sherrie & Wes Ganote family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Rev. Edward R. McFarland.



Uncle Bill, Sherrie & Wes Ganote family - September 10, 2024 at 06:32 PM

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“ Uncle Bill, Sherrie & Wes Ganote family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rev. Edward R. McFarland.

Uncle Bill, Sherrie & Wes Ganote family - September 10, 2024 at 06:32 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Edward R. McFarland.



September 10, 2024 at 10:47 AM

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“ From Pastor Blaylock and the FPC Family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rev. Edward R. McFarland.

From Pastor Blaylock and the FPC Family. - September 10, 2024 at 10:47 AM