

*A Celebration of the Resurrection
And Thanksgiving for the life of
Dr. Frank Alexander "Hick"
Hamilton, Jr.
June 8th, 1927 – October 24, 2023*



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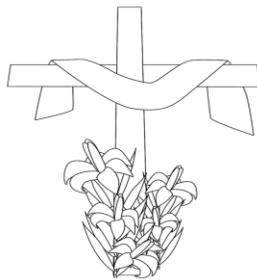
- Please silence all digital devices as you enter the Church.
- Rest rooms are in the basement and beyond the doors at the end of the sanctuary.
- Handicapped accessibility is through the College Street entrance. A Church member will assist with the elevator.
- The family of **Dr. Frank “Hick” Hamilton, Jr.** thanks you for your presence at this service, and for your support.
- A **Reception** will be following in our Fellowship Hall sponsored by Saint Mary’s Guild.

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we too, shall be raised.

Because

The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that “neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that the one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.



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ORGAN PRELUDE

“WVU Marching Band’s Simple Gifts”

OPENING ANTHEM: I AM RESURRECTION

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord;
he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live;
and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

I know that my Redeemer liveth,
and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth;
and though this body be destroyed, yet shall I see God;
whom I shall see for myself and mine eyes shall behold,
and not as a stranger.

For none of us liveth to himself,
and no man dieth to himself.
For if we live, we live unto the Lord.
and if we die, we die unto the Lord.
Whether we live, therefore, or die, we are the Lord’s.
Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord;
even so saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of thy servant *Frank “Hick”* and grant *him* an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Opening Hymn (H 482)

“LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS”



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
 2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
 4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,
 whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
 your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,
 whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,



be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
 be there at our lab - ors, and give us, we pray,
 be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
 be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
 your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
 your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
 your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

OLD TESTAMENT READING - Lamentations 3:22-26, 31-33

A reading from the Lamentations of Jeremiah

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. “The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. For the Lord will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

PSALM 23 (BCP-476)

READ BY ALL

*The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; *
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul; *
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his
Name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; *
for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of
mine enemies; *
thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days
of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God;

Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Poem:

**Christy Haas Turner
Andrew Hass
Angela Thompson
Erin Hamilton Butcho
Frank "Alex" Hamilton IV
Owen Hamilton
Emma Hamilton
Elyse Butcho
Madelyn Butcho**

Sequence Hymn (H-405) "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Descant



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, crea - tures great and small,

Refrain



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea - tures great and small,



all things wise and won - der - ful, God made them all.



all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.



- 1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
- 2 The pur - ple - head - ed moun - tain, the riv - er run - ning by,
- 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,
- 4 He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell



Repeat Refrain

he made their glow - ing col - ors, he made their ti - ny wings.
the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright - ens up the sky,
the ripe fruits in the gar - den, he made them ev - ery one.
how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:1-6

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint
John.

People **Glory be to thee, Lord Christ.**

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY

The Rev. GT Schramm

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant, we beseech thee, to thy whole Church in paradise and on earth, thy light and thy peace. *Amen.*

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life, and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection. *Amen.*

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that thy Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days. *Amen.*

Grant to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind. *Amen.*

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in thy fatherly care, that, casting all their grief on thee, they may know the consolation of thy love. *Amen.*

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a reasonable and holy hope, in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. *Amen.*

Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. *Amen.*

Grant us grace to entrust *Frank "Hick"*. to thy never-failing love, receive *him* into the arms of thy mercy and remember *him* according to the favor which thou bearest unto thy people. *Amen.*

Grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of thee, *he* may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in thy heavenly kingdom. *Amen.*

Grant us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, to have our consummation and bliss in thy eternal and everlasting glory, and, with blessed *Frank "Hick"* and all thy saints, to receive the crown of life which thou dost promise to all who share in the victory of thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

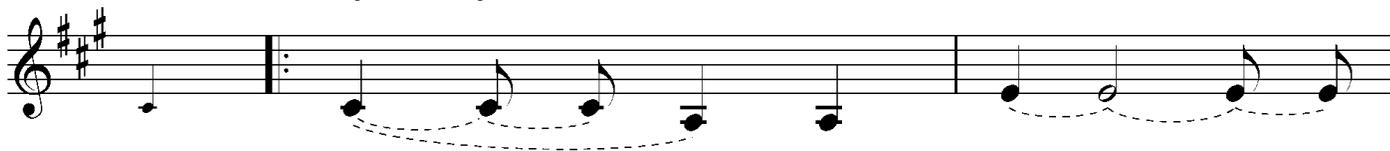
People *And with thy spirit.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good thy vows unto the Most High.
Psalm 50:14

OFFERTORY HYMN (H-335) "I Am the Bread of Life"



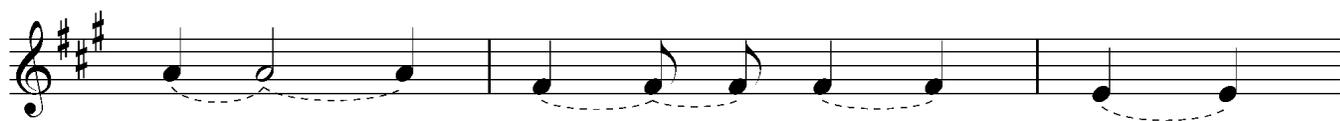
1	I	am	the	bread	of	life;—	they	who
2 (The)	Bread	that—	I	will	give—	is	my	
3 (Un-)	less—			you	eat—	of	the	
4	I	am	the	re - sur -	rec - tion,			
5 (Yes,)	Lord,		we	be -	lieve—	that—		



1	come	to	me	shall	not—	hun - ger;	they	who	be -	
2	Flesh	for	the	life	of	the	world,—	and	they	who
3	Flesh	of	the	Son	of—	Man—		and—		
4	I—		am	the—		life.—	They	who	be -	
5	you—		are	the—		Christ,		the—		



1	lieve	in	me	shall	not	thirst.	No	one	can	come	to
2	eat—		of	this	bread,		they	shall—	live	for	
3	drink—		of	his	Blood,	you	shall	not	have	life	with -
4	lieve—		in	me,		e - ven—	if	they			
5	Son—		of	God		who—		has			



1	me—		un -	less	the—	Fa -	ther	draw	them.	
2	ev -	er.—		they	shall—	live	for	ev -	er.	
3	in	you.	you	shall	not	have	life	with -	in	you.
4	die,			they	shall—	live	for	ev -	er.	
5	come—		in -	to—		the—		world.—		

Descant

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

Refrain

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

up, and I will raise them up on the

up, and I will raise them up on the

1-4

last day. 5 Yes, day.

2 The

3 Un- day.

4 —

5 Yes, ()

Final Ending

The descant may be sung after stanzas 4 and 5.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And with thy spirit.***
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People ***We lift them up unto the Lord.***
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People ***It is meet and right so to do.***

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who rose victorious from the dead, and doth comfort us with the blessed hope of everlasting life; for to thy faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body doth lie in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS (BCP p. 333)

Celebrant and People

***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

Words of Institution (BCP p. 334)

The people kneel or stand.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls, and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen*
And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer (BCP p. 336)

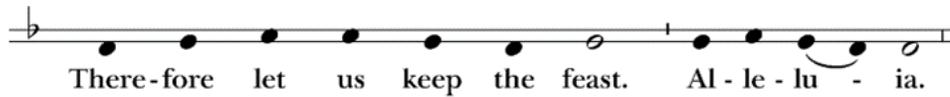
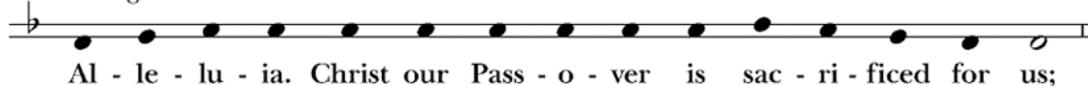
*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.*

FRACTION ANTHEM

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

This setting is not used in Lent.



This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP p. 337)

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

INVITATION (BCP p. 338)

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION (BCP p. 338)

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

COMMUNION HYMN "One Bread, One Body"

One bread, one bod-y,

one Lord of all, one cup of

bless - ing which we bless. And we, though

man - y, through-out the earth, We are one

Last time ⊕

bod - y in this one Lord.

Last time ⊕

1. Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or
 2. Man - y the gifts, man - y the
 3. Grain for the fields, scat - tered and

1. free, wom - an or man,
 2. works, one in the Lord
 3. grown, gath - cred to one

D.S.

1. — no more, One
 2. — of all, One
 3. — for all, One

D.S.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank thee that in thy great love thou hast fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and hast given unto us a foretaste of thy heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be unto us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all thy saints, through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE COMMENDATION

Give rest, O Christ, to thy servant(s) with thy saints,
*where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.*

Thou only art immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and unto earth shall we return. For so thou didst ordain when thou createdst me, saying, “Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.” All we go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Give rest, O Christ, to thy servant(s) with thy saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.*

Into thy hands, O merciful Savior, we commend thy servant *Frank “Hick”*. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech thee, a sheep of thine own fold, a lamb of thine own flock, a sinner of thine own redeeming. Receive *him* into the arms of thy mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn: “Country Roads”

by: John Denver

**Almost heaven, West Virginia
Blue ridge mountains, Shenandoah river
Life is old there, older than the trees
Younger than the mountains, blowing like a breeze**

**Country roads, take me home
To the place I belong
West Virginia
Mountain mamma, take me home
Country roads**

**All my memories, gather round her
Modest lady, stranger to blue water
Dark and dusty, painted on the sky
Misty taste of moonshine, teardrop in my eye**

**Country roads, take me home
To the place I belong
West Virginia
Mountain mamma, take me home
Country roads**

**I hear her voice in the morning hour she calls me
Radio reminds me of my home far away
Driving down the road I get a feeling
That I should have been home yesterday, yesterday**

**Country roads, take me home
To the place I belong
West Virginia
Mountain mamma, take me home
Country roads**

**Country roads, take me home
To the place I belong
West Virginia
Mountain mamma, take me home
Country roads**

**Take me home, down country roads
Take me home, down country roads**

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude: “I’ll Fly Away”

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Celebrant

Coty Graff
Organist

The Rev. GT Schramm
Homily

Scott Hamilton
Susan Haas
Spencer Hamilton
Readers

Lynne Steptoe
Pat McMillan
Crucifer/Acolyte

Buzz Poland
Lisa Miller
Ushers

Dr. Frank Alexander “Hick” Hamilton, Jr. June 8th, 1927 – October 24th, 2023

Dr. Frank A. Hamilton, Jr.



Dr. Frank Alexander “Hick” Hamilton, Jr., 96, of Martinsburg passed away peacefully on Oct. 24, 2023, at Harmony of Martinsburg after a brief illness. Born June 8, 1927, in Hagerstown, he was the son of the late Frank A Hamilton Sr. and Florence Williams Hamilton.

After receiving his Doctor of Medicine degree from WVU/Medical College of Virginia, he was commissioned into the US Navy in 1954. Then, upon honorably completing his naval service, he set up his

General Medicine practice in Martinsburg, where he served his community for over half a century. He was a highly respected member of his profession and was known for his dedication to his patients. Even after retirement, he continued to practice medicine as the Health Officer for the Berkeley County Department of Health.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Dr. Hamilton was a devoted family man, who loved his spouse, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren above all else. He was a devoted husband to his wife of 70 years, Mary Ann Hamilton, and a devoted father to his four children and their spouses: one daughter, Susan Haas (Steve), and three sons, R. Scott Hamilton (Tammy), Frank A. “Chip” Hamilton, III (Carol), and Spencer Hamilton (Maria). He instilled charity and moral values into his family that will guide and direct their

lives forever.

In his free time, he enjoyed woodworking and computer activities which he often used to bless his church and community. He was a prominent member of the Founding Committee, Treasure, Board of Advisors, and Board of Directors for Hospice of the Panhandle. Additionally, he was on the Board of Directors for Gateway Foundation, City Hospital, Martinsburg Senior Services Center, and Eastern Panhandle Home Health. His many contributions to the community resulted in his selection as the Boy Scouts Distinguished Citizen Award recipient in 2004.

As a dedicated member of Trinity Episcopal Church, he served as Senior Warden, Board of Trustees and just about any other committee or service area the church needed.

In addition to his spouse and children, he is survived by one sister, Betsy Janetta Cohen, seven grandchildren: Christy Haas Turner,

Andrew Haas, Angela Thompson, Erin Hamilton Butcho, Frank “Alex: Hamilton IV, Owen Hamilton, and Emma Hamilton. Also four great grandchildren: Nicholas Asher Haas, Wyatt Haas, Elyse Butcho and Madelyn Butcho.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Flo Raleigh Kerr. A memorial service is planned for Saturday, Nov. 4, 2023 at Trinity Episcopal Church Martinsburg with visitation at 10 a.m. and a Celebration of Life at 11 a.m.

Online condolences may be offered at

www.BrownFuneralHomesWV.com.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Trinity Episcopal Church of Martinsburg or Hospice of the Panhandle.

Dr. Hamilton will be dearly missed by all who knew him, but his legacy will live on through his family, friends, and colleagues.