

The Reverend Anthony Ware
1933-2021

Rev. Anthony Ware, B.Sc., B.D., cherished husband of the late Jackie Ware, passed away surrounded by the love of his children on January 15, 2021, after an illness fought with grace, faith, and a deep appreciation for life. Surviving are his sons Christopher (Andra), Alberta; Andrew (Ann), PEI; daughters Beverley (Darrell Kays), Halifax and Nicola, Charlottetown; a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Alice (the late Dr. John Ware), England; and brother-in-law Dr. Martyn Harris (Janet), England. He was predeceased by his parents, his devoted wife Jacqueline, son Timothy Martyn Ware (Kate), infant grandson David Andrew Miller, and brother Dr. John Ware. Dad was born in Hong Kong on November 14, 1933, where his father, Dr. Thomas Walter, was a medical doctor in government service and his mother, Muriel Irene (Fursdon) was a teacher. He and his older brother John went back to England with their mother for their safety, which is where they were brought up. Dad obtained his B.Sc. from the University of Bristol and became a Methodist Lay Preacher. He went on to study theology at the University of London where he obtained his B.D. In 1957 he and Jackie emigrated to Canada. Dad was ordained by Maritime Conference of the United Church of Canada in 1958 and served a number of churches on Prince Edward Island. The family returned to England in 1961 where Dad served again in the Methodist Church, ministering first in the industrial north-east and then in the Channel Island of Jersey. From 1968 to 1975 he taught at a school in Devonshire, becoming Head of the Science Department. He re-entered The United Church of Canada in 1975 and served churches in P.E.I., Bermuda, Halifax, and Cape Breton. He served on numerous Presbytery Committees, as Chair of PEI and Halifax Presbyteries, as Commissioner to General Council and was Minister Emeritus at Spring Park in Charlottetown. Dad had a particular interest in faith development, lay ministry education, and the relationship between science and religion. He taught his children to be open-minded and to constantly question in the never-ending quest to seek understanding. We are forever grateful to him. Cremation has taken place. A memorial service celebrating Dad's wonderful life will be held at Spring Park United Church, 65 Kirkwood Drive, Charlottetown, at a date to be announced when COVID restrictions have eased.