



It is with great sadness that the family of Rev Karl Edwin Gorman announces his passing at The Meadows, Yarmouth NS, on Wednesday October 11, 2023. Karl passed peacefully in his sleep. Karl was born on February 25, 1933 to John P. Gorman and Della P. (Hoyt) Gorman in Millville NB the eighth of ten children. He is survived by his four children Sherry (Ron), Stephen (Carolyn) Philip (Donald) and Cora, five grandchildren and six great grandchildren as well as his youngest sister Pauline Foster of Bowmanville Ontario. Karl is also survived by his three brothers-in-law, Ivan (Penny) Shaw of Caribou Maine, Paul (Terrie) Shaw of Edmonton Alberta and Walter Cole of South Ohio. He was pre-deceased by his parents, his wife of 65 years Helene Mabel (Shaw) Gorman, five sisters, three brothers as well as one granddaughter, Baby Marianne, and one great grandson, Baby Justin.

Karl attended Bethany Bible College in Yarmouth NS prior to his marriage to Helene. He graduated from Bethany Bible College on May 31, 1954 and married Helene the following evening, June 1, 1954. They pastored the Sandford Wesleyan Church for the next three years before heading to South Africa as Missionaries in April of 1958. They stayed in South Africa for a seven year period ministering to the African people in Louwsburg and Paulpietersburg in the South African province of Natal. In 1965 they returned to Yarmouth NS where Karl pastored the Yarmouth Wesleyan Church there until 1970. It was during this time that the first Wesleyan Church was built in Yarmouth on Brunswick Street.

Karl and his family returned to South Africa in 1970 where he then ministered to the African people in the Vryheid area of the Natal province. In 1974 the family returned to Yarmouth NS for two years and that second year Karl once again pastored the Yarmouth Wesleyan Church. In 1976 Missionary work with the Wesleyan Church once again took them back to South Africa for a four year term where he ministered to African people in the Johannesburg area in the province of Transvaal. During this time he also assisted with The

Wesleyan Evangelical Seminary in Brakpan. After a one year furlough back in Yarmouth NS Karl and Helene again went to South Africa for their final four year term as Wesleyan Missionaries in 1981. This time he once again ministered in the Johannesburg area and for a short while near the end of their term he acted as the Mission Coordinator.

Upon returning to Canada in 1985 Karl and Helen bought their home on Collins Street and then Karl pastored the Brazil Lake Wesleyan Church for eight years before he retired.

Retirement saw him continue to be active in the Yarmouth Wesleyan Church. He would also fill in to "preach" in various Churches when needed and asked. He also continued to officiate Weddings for some time.

In his final years he pretty much stayed at home, enjoying the company of Chloe the much loved little yorkiepoo and more recently Wesley the beagle. Karl used to enjoy attending Beulah Camp at Browns Flat every year, staying in his trailer on the Camp Ground, attending the services and enjoying the fellowship with so many people that he knew there. This last year brought several health challenges with two lengthy stays in the Yarmouth Hospital. Karl had gone to live at The Meadows on August 28th of this year. His family would like to take this opportunity to express their thanks and gratitude for the support and care Karl received from all the Staff at The Meadows who interacted with him. His three elder children, Sherry, Stephen and Philip, would also like to acknowledge and express their thanks to Karl's youngest daughter Cora, a resident of Yarmouth NS; for all that she has done for their father in recent years. Not only did she help make his house on Collins Street a home for him but she was faithful in visiting, assisting and caring for him when he was in the Hospital and also after he moved into The Meadows. It is greatly appreciated. Karl's family takes comfort in the knowledge that he is now with his Lord.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Sweeny's Funeral Home and Crematorium, Yarmouth NS. A celebration of Karl's life will be held on Monday October 16, 2023 at the Yarmouth Wesleyan Church. Visitation will take place at 1:00 pm followed by the service immediately at 2:00pm. Interment will take place afterwards in Darlings Lake Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations in memory may be made to the Yarmouth Wesleyan Church, Kingswood University or Global Partners. Online condolences may be made to [sweenys@sweenysfuneralhome.net](mailto:sweenys@sweenysfuneralhome.net) or you may sign the guestbook online at [www.sweenysfuneralhome.net](http://www.sweenysfuneralhome.net)