West Ohio Conference - A Call to Prayer

Let us remember in prayer those grieving the loss of their loved one, and remember in thanksgiving the life and ministry of:

Alexander Walker Short III, who passed away peacefully on Friday, October 16, 2026. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Rev. Kay Short, a full elder in the United Methodist Church who served at Church of the Saviour in Cincinnati (1987).

Al was the son of the late A.W. and Marie Short. He attended Ohio University, where he earned his bachelor's degree in business and was a proud member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. It was also at Ohio University where he met his first wife, Kay. He enjoyed a successful career in sales, dedicating 60 years to his profession before retiring in 2015. Al was a devoted member of Friendship United Methodist Church for over 50 years, serving as an usher, Sunday School teacher and chaperone for the youth group his wife led. Al also had a great love for tennis, playing well into his 70's. Al cheered for the OU Bobcats, OSU Buckeyes and the Cincinnati Bengals. Al was preceded in death by his loving wives, Kay Sears Short, with whom he shared 37 years of marriage and Anne Lawrence Short, which whom he shared 25 years; his parents, A.W. and Marie Short; and his brother, Charles "Pat" Short.

He leaves behind three daughters, Carrie Short-Lippert (the late Jim Lippert) of Cincinnati, Ohio, Chris (Todd) Tageson of Columbus, Ohio, and Cady-Short-Thompson (Steve Thompson) of Covington, Kentucky. He was the proud and loving grandfather to Christopher, John, Patrick, Marie, Alex, Skye, Seth, Cady and Hope, and a great-grandfather to Scott, Luke, Esther, Peter, Ruth, Brynn and Larkin.

Family and friends are invited to gather for a Memorial service on Saturday, November 7, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at Friendship United Methodist Church, 1025 Springfield Pike, Wyoming, Ohio. Grandview High School, Ohio University and Bengals attire are greatly encouraged! In lieu of flowers donations of any amount to the Alexander Walker Short III Memorial Scholarship to benefit low-income students are welcome and appreciated. Scholarship details, his obituary and condolences can be found here.