



Dr. R.C. Boynton

January 26, 1925 - October 1, 2009

Dr. Richard Charles "R.C." Boynton, 84, of New Castle and formerly of Indianapolis, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, October 1, 2009 at Glen Oaks Health Campus.

He was born January 26, 1925 in Rock Island, Illinois, a son of the late Charles and Clara (Barber) Boynton.

He married Naomi June Nelson on December 2, 1944. (A wonderful example of love and dedication).

He served in the U.S. Army during WWII spending several months on the front lines of battle with General Patton's Third Army.

A graduate of Rock Island High School in 1944, he attended Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois and Stanford University, Palo Alto, California and Chicago School of Design, Chicago, Illinois. He graduated from Olivet Nazarene College in 1951 with a B.A. in Philosophy. He received his Ph.D. from Crossroads Graduate School of Divinity in Fairland, Indiana.

He was a pastor and an evangelist from 1948-1993. He was the founding president of the Bible Missionary Institute in Rock Island, Illinois and the Francis Asbury Bible College in Milan, Illinois. He had a deep love and passion for training young people for ministry. At the time of his retirement, he was a Commissioned Evangelist with the Church of the Nazarene. He also authored two books, *Fire and Fruit* and *Living Positively with Myasthenia Gravis*.

He is survived by his children; Linda (husband: Robert) Bedford of Seminole,

Florida, Timothy (wife: Susan) Boynton of Hampton, Georgia, Mark (wife: Shelley) Boynton of Greenwood, Joel Boynton of Indianapolis, Thaddeus Boynton of Anderson, and Rachel (husband: J. Allen) Southerland of Spiceland; 20 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; a sister, Dorothy Morehead of Blue Grass, Iowa and a brother, Robert (wife: Sabina) Boynton of Rock Island, Illinois.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 61 years, Naomi June Boynton; two brothers, John and Benjamin and four sisters, Mable, Jennie, Florence, and Elizabeth.

A Celebration of Life by his family will be held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, October 6, 2009 at Spiceland Church of the Nazarene. The funeral service will follow at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor J. Allen Southerland officiating. Military Honors will be provided at the funeral by a contingent from the American Legion and V.F.W. A graveside service will be held at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

Friends may call from 4 – 8 p.m. Monday at Sproles Family Funeral Home in New Castle.

You may send a personal condolence to the family at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

Tribute Wall

BB

“ I was glad I got to see Bro. Boynton one last time the week before he passed away. I went to see him at the home where he was living. Though he couldn't communicate very well, it seemed he wanted to see a picture of his family.

I first met Bro. Boynton in 1962 when he and my dad were co-evangelists at Clinton Camp. I haven't had much contact with him through the years, but want to see him again in heaven!

I am sorry for the loss of the family, but know God is in control.

Barbara Baker - October 13, 2009 at 12:35 AM

DH

“ Thoughts and prayers to the Boynton family.

David Huff - October 12, 2009 at 09:36 AM

SG

“ To the Boynton family,
Sending my deepest sympathy to all of you. I have many fond memories of your parents and enjoyed the Asbury reunion in Indianapolis when many of the old Asbury crowd attended. I enjoyed the pictorial tribute. I know you all dearly loved your parents and will have many memories to cherish. Blessings to you all, Sally

Sally Gross - October 07, 2009 at 10:24 PM

JS

“ We send our deepest sympathy to the Boynton family, as you go through a very hard time in your lives. We know that God will give each of you strength, knowing that your loved one, is now, with the Lord. How wonderful, to know this in your hearts. John Sander remembers when he was at one of the meetings at the age of 16, and was saved. He also sends his love to each of you. Be strong, as we know that better things are before us. The Sander Family

Jerry and Diane Sander - October 06, 2009 at 11:00 PM

JT

“ Allen, Rachel and family Sorry to hear of your loss. Your father was a very nice man. did not know him real well but enjoyed visiting with him when Eston was in Glen Oakes. Our prayers are with you Randy and Jackie

Jackie Thompson - October 06, 2009 at 08:19 PM

JM

“ I know you are sad at the loss of your Dad but we know that he is rejoicing with your Mom. God be with you at this time. Love and prayers, Joyce

Joyce Musgrove - October 06, 2009 at 07:46 PM

VJ

“ *My prayers are with you during this difficult time. Go with God!*

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Verlon O. Agan, Jr - October 06, 2009 at 06:43 PM

VJ

“ *Dr. R.C. Boynton*

Verlon O. Agan. Jr - October 06, 2009 at 06:39 PM

SY

“ *May God bless each one of you during this difficult time! It truly is Heaven's gain but never easy to let go! My heartfelt sympathy to all of you and I will keep you in my prayers!!*

Sarah Yount - October 06, 2009 at 04:48 PM

BP

“ Our prayers are with you and you have our sympathy in your loss. May it help to know that you have a circle of friends pulling together to help you through this difficult time. Numbers 11:17 ICHA/Buddy Perry

Buddy and Jane Perry - October 06, 2009 at 04:10 PM

WS

“ Dear Family of Bro. Boynton,
We have fond memories of Bro. Boynton. He officiated at our wedding in 1960. May God be with each of you at this time.

Wayne & Beverly Stracener - October 06, 2009 at 02:59 PM

WN

“ My prayers and sympathy are with you in the passing of a beloved father and friend. Earth's loss is heaven's gain.

Wayne Neeley - October 06, 2009 at 12:46 PM

DH

“ I have fond memories of Rev. Boynton, he was such an uplifting, inspiring person. I loved it when he came to the NE. camps, the music was great, and I enjoyed playing the piano and following as he led the congregation! He will be greatly missed. Thinking of his family, today.

Donna Harvey - October 06, 2009 at 11:05 AM

MD

“ *What memories I have... I knew Bro. Boynton most of my life. Most recently (just a few years ago) when your parents came to KC for a meeting, they saw my name on the birthday list at headquarters and came to Olathe to take me out for a birthday dinner. My thoughts and prayers are with you today. I wish I could be there, but so glad I was able to visit with him a few weeks ago.*

Marilyn Darnell - October 06, 2009 at 09:57 AM

DN

“ *Dear Boynton family~
Please know that you have our prayers and sympathy at this time. We also know that you don't weep as 'those who have no hope', but there certainly will be a vacant place! Really enjoyed the tribute.
Dwane, Gwen, Thad & Heidi Newton*

Dwane & Gwen Newton - October 06, 2009 at 12:51 AM

DD

“ *Dear Rachel, Linda, and Family: Please accept sincerest condolences from Marilyn & me. Having just gone through the loss of both my parents in the recent past, it is with keen empathy that we tell you, "we are praying for you and thinking of you during this time of earthly sadness." I know you agree that it is also a time of "Heavenly Gladness!" Be assured of our thoughts & prayers ...*

Dan Downing - October 06, 2009 at 12:41 AM

JM

“ *Very sorry for your loss. Your family will be in my prayers during this difficult time.*

Joy Baker Mitchem - October 06, 2009 at 12:08 AM

JN

“ Linda and family, I'm sorry for your loss. May the Lord be with you at this time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love you. Judy

Judy Sander Nolte - October 05, 2009 at 10:07 PM

CR

“ Man where has time gone? Lots of memories of Dick (as we new him at work) at Best Lock and he filled in at Southwest Nazarene while we was attending there our thoughts and prayers will be with you.

Calvin Romans - October 05, 2009 at 07:07 PM

GF

“ Dear Rachel & Allen, Linda & Bob and all of the other children, We send our condolences for the loss of Bro Boynton. It is our loss and Heavens gain. We suffer but they are enjoying the splendor of Heaven. We'll always remember his big smile. Will be praying for you during this time.

Gary & Brenda Fish - October 05, 2009 at 05:05 PM

MB

“ Thinking of you and praying for you during this time. May God's grace sustain you, and may He keep His loving hand upon each one of you.
Love, Sister Bullock

Mrs. Foy Bullock - October 05, 2009 at 04:49 PM

KR

“ I offer my prayers and deepest sympathies to the Boynton family. Brother Boynton was an enthusiastic person for God and His people. May God richly bless you with His comfort and peace today and always!

Kerry Robinson - October 05, 2009 at 03:11 PM

RM

“ I'm sorry that I cannot be there tommorrow. I would certainly like to be. Though my time to know Rev. Boynton was short, I enjoyed every minute of it. I had hoped to be able to spend some time again with him back in August but it didn't work out. I enjoyed talking to him about the beginning days at Bible Missionary Institute. I share in your sorrow at his passing. May God be close to you at this time.
Robbey Moyer

Robbey Moyer - October 05, 2009 at 01:42 PM

RF

“ We enjoyed hearing Bro. Boynton preach. You are in our prayers. Though we know our loved ones are with Jesus I know how much we can miss them.

Rev. James Farney - October 05, 2009 at 01:02 PM

DR

“ Linda, Bob & Girls, Our hearts are saddened with your loss, and our prayers are with you all. May you feel the touch and strength of the One Who knows best through the days and weeks to come.

Diana & Mark Russell - October 05, 2009 at 12:46 PM

TF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

The Kenneth Christy Family - October 05, 2009 at 08:55 AM

KB

“ Rachel & family...Your father was such a huge spiritual leader to us.It was at a revival that your father was preaching at that I made up my mind to be a christian. We loved to hear him preach & sing. What a beautiful voice. I can almost hear him now. Our thoughts & prayers are with you. We love you all dearly.

Kevin & Melinda Block - October 05, 2009 at 08:52 AM

JU

“ Dad and Bro. Boynton were not able to share much together when they were in the nursing home together. Dad was hard of hearing and R.C. could not talk loud, but.... the rest of the States family thoroughly enjoyed R.C.!! He was so kind and sweet when Dad was almost gone. He took my hand and said... he is almost there.. almost with a yearning. He no longer has to yearn. They are dancing today... YES I said dancing! And singing... I can only imagine...

Jeanne Underwood - October 04, 2009 at 06:20 PM

RW

“ we are so sorry about the loss, we will miss him to we would like to come but we just cant right now. love russ and patricia

russ & patricia weaver - October 04, 2009 at 02:17 PM

CA

“ Linda thinking of you with sympathy and praising the Lord for the time and joy you had with your father.May you be blessed with God's grace. Love Corine and James

Corine Armstrong - October 03, 2009 at 11:02 PM

AE

“ I love you so much grandpa and miss you dearly. You are my hero and were my inspiration to become a nurse. I am forever grateful to have had such a wonderful grandfather in my life.
I love you truly.
Love Annalisa

Annalisa Eby - October 03, 2009 at 05:02 PM

DH

“ Please accept our deepest condolences from our family to yours.
May the Lord comfort you.
Love and prayers.

Dick and Ruth Hagen - October 03, 2009 at 10:48 AM

DE

“ Our thoughts and Prayers go out to you and your family. We are sad for your lost, but happy that he has gone to be with the Lord and your Mom.
Danny R. Emond

Danny & Tammy Emond - October 03, 2009 at 08:33 AM

KL

“ Dear Linda, Robert and all of the Boynton family. May God strengthen and sustain you at this time of loss. What a legacy you have! Our love and prayers,
Keith & Linda Ledford

Keith & Linda Ledford - October 02, 2009 at 09:10 PM

RW

“ I had the honor of know this man of God for many years. Held revival for him and listened to him talk with God a number of times. My prayers are with his family and please know you will see him one day in a better World. God bless, Mike Watson

Rev. Michael Watson - October 02, 2009 at 08:31 PM

GB

“ Bob, Linda, & family, We are saddened at the news of your loss. Our thoughts, love, and prayers go with you, now, and in the weeks, ahead. God bless. Love in Christ, George & Jan

George & Jan Bills - October 02, 2009 at 07:46 PM

SH

“ Grandpa, Will miss your warm smiles, big hugs, and beautiful prayers. Have so many wonderful memories and so glad that Ty will remember spending time with you!
The last time we were able to spend with Grandpa was in the hospital in late July. What memories from that evening - ones we will never forget. They involve tears and laughter! Tim especially spent a lot if time with grandpa that night- wish only that we could have lived closer and thankful for all the family that did and were a part of his life on a daily basis! Thankful that Grandpa is with Jesus - the only thing he longed for more was that each of us would be there too one day!

Sandi Herrington - October 02, 2009 at 06:38 PM