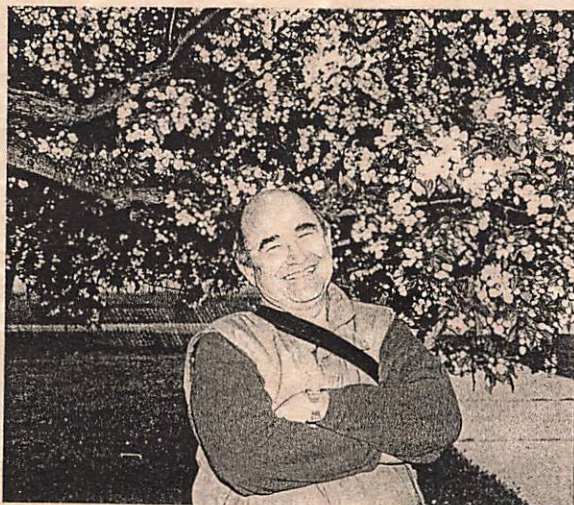




Reverend David D Reese, III
14 September 1929 – 9 October 2006



**Celebrating the Adventurous Life and Ministry of
Reverend David D. Reese III**

Prelude

*Music of Faith
Jan Hanson,*

Pianist

Call to Awareness and Prayer
Reece

Reverend Bill

Song of Hope

"Now and Forever"

Dr. Denise E. Hall

About David's Beloved Community

*Reverend Bill
Reece*

Historical Word from Holy Scripture

I Corinthians 13 (Love Chapter)

Dr. Denise E. Hall

Contemporary Word

Poem

*Ms. Virginia
Savage*

Song of Comfort

"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

*Hymn #84 (All)
Jan Hanson,
Pianist*

Remembering the Adventures of David's Life
Sharing Stories

*Reverend Bill
Reece, family,
and friends*

Reverend David D Reese III

David D Reese, III was born on September 14th, 1929 in Leesville, Louisiana. He attended public schools in De Queen, Arkansas and graduated from high school in 1947. His love of the spoken word began at his grandmother's knee and continued throughout his lifetime. One of his first purchases as a youth was a book of poetry. David's first job was with the De Queen Bee newspaper.

He attended the University of Oklahoma, majoring in journalism. He answered the call to the ministry and graduated from Phillips Seminary, Enid, Oklahoma in 1955.

Rev. Reese served Disciples of Christ churches in central Oklahoma for nearly ten years before accepting a position as a campus minister at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana. There he counseled young adults, rallied for peace in Viet Nam, participated in the civil rights movement and generally strengthened his conviction that the church's role in history is to put the Word of Jesus Christ into action and to be an agent for social justice in the world.

In 1971, Rev. Reese and his family joined the Ecumenical Institute (now the Institute of Cultural Affairs-I.C.A.) and moved to the inner city of Cleveland, Ohio where they lived, worshipped and worked in community with several other families. Rev. Reese and his wife, Joyce Reese lived and worked as part of the ICA in many other cities including Denver, San Jose, Chicago, Orlando, Fukuoka and Tokyo where they facilitated countless strategic planning sessions with school districts, churches and corporations. In the mid-nineties Rev. Reese and his wife retired from the ICA and moved to Chickasha to live near his mother-in-law, Lottie Slusher.

In 1966, the family attended the summer program at the Ecumenical Institute on the West Side of Chicago. There, David and Joyce strengthened their convictions that the local church's mission was to be an agent of social change.

In 1971, the family decided to join the Ecumenical Institute (later known as the Institute of Cultural Affairs) and moved into the Religious House in the inner city of Cleveland, Ohio to live communally. In addition to Cleveland, David and Joyce lived and worked in religious communities in Denver, San Jose, Chicago, Orlando, Fukuoka and Tokyo.

David and Joyce retired from the ICA in the mid-90's and moved to Chickasha, Oklahoma to be near Joyce's mother, Lottie Slusher. They had a special group of friends with whom they met on a yearly basis for spiritual renewal. These friends were the backbone of my parents support system.

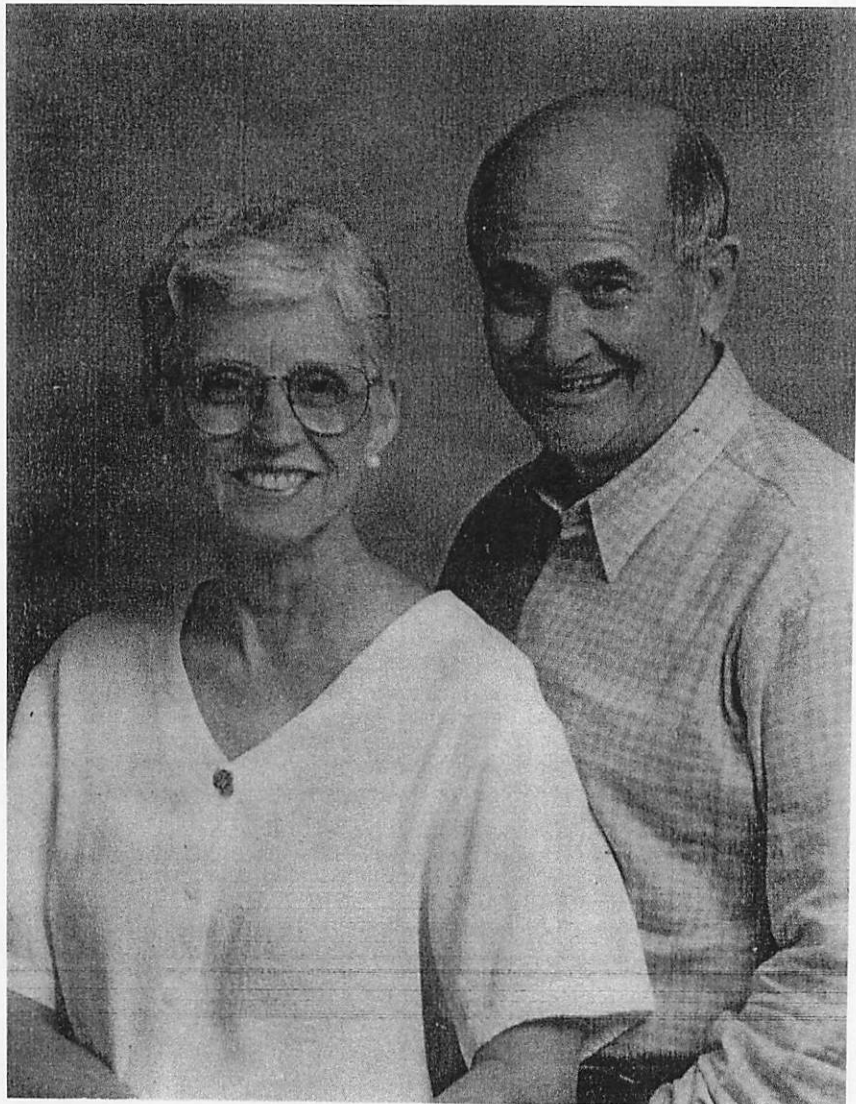
Reverend David D Reese died on morning of Monday October 9th, 2006 after an extended illness. He had been receiving loving care from his family and was in hospice since April of this year.

Survivors include his mother-in-law, Lottie Slusher; sisters Dixie Cryan and Jimmie Hutchinson; children Virginia Savage, John David Reese, Shelley Annette Beard and Elizabeth Ann Carr; grandchildren Cristina Cathey, Kasey Carr, Grace Beard, Teri Carr, Jonathan Carr, David Beard and Joy Beard; great-grandchildren Megan and Erick Parkhurst. He was preceded in death by his life partner Joyce

Joan Slusher Reese; twin sister Dorothy D Reese; and his parents Ona Rawls Reese and David D Reese, II.

The cremains will be interred following the service at the Rose Hill Cemetery in Chickasha on 11th Street and Alabama Avenue.

Donations may be made to the Peace House at 2912 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, OK 73102; to the Music Fund of the Mayflower Congregational Church at 3901 NW 63rd Expressway, Oklahoma City, OK 73112; or to OETA, 7403 North Kelley Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73111.



Sharing the Bread of Life and the Cup of Joy

Celebration of Communion	Reverend Bill
Reece	
"Let Us Break Bread"	Jan Hanson, Pianist

Song of Affirmation	Hymn#16
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"	Jan Hanson, Pianist

Sending Forth and Benediction	Reverend Bill
Reece	

Postlude	
"Morning Has Broken"	Jan Hanson, Pianist

"La vida es sueño, y sueño sueños son."

"Life is a dream, and dreams are dreams."

Calderon de la Barca

