

FRANCIS EDWIN WILSON, DD
1907 - 1998

Francis E. Wilson, DD, age 90, of Elkton died Wednesday, February 4, at Four Seasons Health Care Center, Bad Axe.

He was born September 30, 1907 near Caseville, son of the late George and Martha (Bedford) Wilson.

On March 21, 1928, he was united in marriage to Leta L. Schultz at the Elkton Evangelical Parsonage.

Dr. Wilson attended Chandler School #1, after high school he went to Adrian College, then to Oberlin, Ohio where he attended Oberlin Graduate School of Theology. After graduate school he went to England where he received his Doctorate of Divinity at the International Free Protestant Episcopal University of London.

He began in ministry in the Detroit Conference in 1940 at Dixboro, in 1946 he was sent to Garden City where he took in over 500 new members. From there, in 1956, he went to Woodmere (Detroit) for 5 years, then to Marlette, in 1966 back to Detroit at Thoburn retiring in 1971. Knowing of his impending retirement he purchased property and moved a home in to Elkton in 1970. He spent his retired years covering for vacationing and ill pastors throughout the conference. Also doing many funerals for those whom had no church affiliation.

Doc Wilson was a member of the Detroit United Methodist ministries, Detroit Conference for 37 years, the Elkton Senior Citizens and the Elkton United Methodist Church.

Surviving is his wife of almost 70 years, Leta, they had no children but he leaves several neices and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted 11:00 AM Saturday, February 7, at the Elkton United Methodist Church. Rev. Peter Crawford, pastor will officiate with burial in Riverside Cemetery, Elkton.

Memorials may be given to:

Adrian College, the Detroit Conference or the church.

Champagne Funeral Chapels