

# REV. JOHN D. DEARING

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Rev. John D. Dearing, 77, pastor of Sebewaing Assembly of God, died Monday evening, Aug. 21, at McLaren Medical Center, Flint, following a brief illness.

He was born in Madison, IL, Oct. 1, 1917, the son of Bert and Helen (Ozley) Dearing. He and Rosetta Edwards were united in marriage in St. Louis, MO, on May 5, 1941.

Rev. Dearing graduated from Reno, IL, High School and received his religious training at North Central Bible College in Minneapolis and Berea. He pastored several churches of the Assemblies of God Districts in Michigan, Indiana and Illinois for 54 years, the past 9 1/2 years of which were in Sebewaing.

In 1991 he received the 50-year Golden Ordination Pin honoring him for his service to Assemblies of God.

Surviving are his wife Rosetta, three daughters and spouses, Ann Weidman, Deborah and Gary Weidman, all of Seginaw, and Sharon and Michael Haley of Troy, nine grandchildren and spouses, Scott (Suzi) Weidman, Greg Weidman and Jodi Weidman, Deborah Dupuis, Kimberly (Brian) Reis, Gary (Suzi) Weidman II, Angela, John Haley, Michael Haley, two great-grandchildren, Brittany Reis and Jacob Dupuis, one sister, Helen (Doyle) Helbing of Salt Lake City, UT, three half-brothers and four half-sisters, Jim, Donald, Steven, Wave, Pauline, Beth and Ruth, several nieces and nephews and numerous friends and parishioners whose lives he has touched.

Two brothers, Victor and Henry Dearing, and one sister, Gertrude McCrackan, preceded him in death.

The funeral took place at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 25, in Sebewaing Assembly of God. Supt. of the Assemblies of God in Michigan, Rev. William Leach and Presbyter of the Thumb Section Rev. John Bullard officiated, with burial in the church cemetery.

Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home of Sebewaing was in charge of arrangements.

Those planning an expression of sympathy are invited to consider Retired Ministers of Assemblies of God Fund.

