



## Rev. John C. Sheppard II

October 29, 1942 - November 26, 2016

Rev. John C. Sheppard II was born on Oct. 29, 1942, in Washington D.C. Raised in Cambridge, Ohio, by his parents, the Honorable John and Mary Jane Sheppard, he graduated from Defiance College in Ohio and later received a Masters of Divinity degree from Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, Calif.

Pastor Shep lived a life of faithful service and was greatly admired for his friendly style of skillful teaching and articulate preaching. He served nine churches in the central valley of California, including First United Methodist Church and Living Word Fellowship, both in Yuba City, where he lived for the past 27 years.

Shep was a devoted family man. He will be missed by his wife of 50 years, Jan Sheppard; children, JoLynne Keough, Sherri McDaniel (and Cameron), and James Sheppard (and Cindy); as well as grandchildren, Nicholas, Parker and Grace.

Pastor Shep died Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2016, after a lengthy illness. A graveside service will be conducted by the Rev. Max Beery, First United Methodist Church, Cambridge, at Northwood Cemetery at 1 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 5. A Celebration of Life service conducted by several pastoral associates will be held at Cornerstone Church in Yuba City, Calif., at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016.

Charitable donations in his honor may be made to The Wesleyan Church Global Partners or American Diabetes Association.