

Information on Dr. Tom Malone

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Birth- Nov.29, 1915

Death- Jan.7, 2007

Buried in Pontiac, Michigan

Dr. Thomas Lloyd (Tom) Malone, 91, graduated to Heaven on January 7, 2007. Pastor Emeritus of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Pontiac, Michigan and founder of Midwestern Baptist College in Pontiac, Dr. Malone, one of America's best known and beloved Baptist preachers. He was in declining health five years before He passed away to glory.

He was a spiritual giant among Baptist fundamentalists. He was saved in a Methodist church service at Isbell Methodist church in Louisiana. He shook the circuit riding preachers hand and said, "The Lord saved me and I know he wants me to be a preacher." He made the transition to be an old fashioned, fundamental Baptist preacher.

He was raised in a home where his mother was a dear Christian. Though his dad was not saved in the early years of his life, he did have a godly mother who instilled character and discipline in her son.

Dr. Bob Jones Sr. was his mentor. He said that Malone was: "Up early, worked hard, had a passion for lost souls, and was a powerful preacher."

A graduate of Bob Jones College, he also earned a PHD. (cum laude) at Wayne State University of Detroit. He was brilliant in his college studies and excelled in his academic accomplishments.

After two brief pastorates in the Detroit area in 1942, Dr. Malone founded the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Pontiac which he would serve as pastor a total of over fifty years. For more than thirty years of that time the church was recognized to be among the one hundred largest churches in America.

A member of the board of the Sword of the Lord Publishers since 1958, he also authored a dozen books which have had a worldwide circulation.

As a private pilot, he credentialed himself with a twin-engine instructor rating.

In 1954 he founded Midwestern Baptist College. In its 53 years, the college has trained and graduated many hundreds of preachers and Christian workers who serve faithfully in churches around the world.

Some of Tom Malones classic words were, “God never used quitters.” People must stay in the battle through storms and trials. If we do then we have the assistance of the Lord to do what we need to do.

For more than fifty years Dr. Malone was one of the most sought after pulpiteers in the world. Featured regularly on almost every national platform in independent Baptist circles, and a regular guest in the pulpit of every large fundamental church in America, he was a master craftsman in the preparation of sermons and a prince of preachers at the time of the sermon’s delivery. Dr. John R. Rice often referred to him as “perhaps the greatest pulpiteer of his generation.”

I heard him many times while I was a student at Tennessee Temple University in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Dr. Lee Roberson loved the preaching of Dr. Malone.