



**Ted E. Sturm**  
Jan. 9, 1922 to July 4, 2001

Relationship to St. Andrew: Ted joined the Epworth Heights United Methodist Church in 1968 and became a St. Andrew Member when St. Andrew EUB and Epworth Heights congregations merged.

Family: Ted and Helen Schwamberger were married April 16, 1943 and they have one daughter, Donna.

Recognitions: Ted was an outstanding Physics teacher and a skilled craftsman in both building furniture and models and in restoring old cars.

Memorial Uses: The family and friends of Ted Sturm have presented a new communion service, baptism bowl and pitcher, and candlesticks to the church in Ted's memory. Son of a UMC pastor, Ted had a great love for the church and was an active member in the life of St. Andrew for many years. These new accoutrements were consecrated the last Sunday in July. The chalices and plates for communion, as well as the bowl and pitcher for baptism are all of clear crystal. They are transparent to the elements and sacraments they hold, reminding us of our calling to allow the grace and love of God shine through us. As followers of Jesus Christ we struggle to 'get out of the way' and point others toward the one who has made such a difference in our lives. We hope that these wonderful gifts remind us of our high calling.

Ted E. Sturm, 79, of 4824 Hawthorne Ridge Drive, WL, died at 12:13 a.m. Wednesday, July 4, 2001, in St. Anthony Health Care. He had been ill a year.

He was born Jan. 9, 1922, in Eckerty, was a 1940 Otterbein High School graduate and earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Bradley University of Peoria, Ill.

He taught at Thornton Township High School of Harvey, Ill. In 1968, he came to West Lafayette and taught 10 years for Tippecanoe School Corp. In 1985, he retired from teaching in the Purdue University physics department.

On April 16, 1943, he married Helen K. Schwamberger in Otterbein, and she survives.

Mr. Sturm was an Army veteran of World War II, serving in the Pacific Theater with the 96th Infantry Division artillery. He was a member of St. Andrew United Methodist Church where he served on many committees, MCL Koffee Klatch, American Legion Post 38 of West Lafayette, Masonic Lodge 561 of Otterbein and Admiral Boat Club of Indianapolis; a member and past president of Greater Lafayette Rose Society and Lafayette Model T and Model A Club; and a life member of Disabled American Veterans. He also was an Eagle Scout.

He enjoyed H.O. scale model trains, restoring Model T and Model A automobiles and radio-controlled scale model boats. For 32 years, he worked at Purdue men's basketball and football games.

Surviving with his wife is a daughter, Donna K. Sturm of West Lafayette.



Candle Holders on the Alter at 333 Meridian St. in June of 2007



Crystal Communion set at 333 Meridian St. in July of 2007