In Memoriam - Tom Faulkner

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IN MEMORIAM

Tom Faulkner PhD

July 24, 1945 - July 13, 2010

Passed away peacefully at the Riverview Health Centre in the arms of his anam cara, Lesley, and with his best friend, Griff, by his side.

Tom was predeceased by his parents Charles and Mae Faulkner, and by his former wife Patricia Sinclair-Faulkner in 2002. He is survived by his children: Matthew(Jen) and their children Aaron and Joshua, and by his daughter Kate. Tom is also remembered by his brothers Bill(Martha) and John(Mary Anne), and by the Sinclair family: Deborah(David), Scott(Rosalynd), and Kathryn(Roger), and by his Godson Preston Walcott, and by numerous nieces and nephews.

Tom was a life long scholar of the mystery which is religion. He began his teaching career at Dalhousie University in 1975, and taught in the Faculty of Religion until 2004. He was President of St. Andrew's and St. Stephen's Universities from 2004 to 2006, and completed his career as an Associate Professor of Church and Society, and as Director of the Ridd Institute for Religion and Global Policy at the University of Winnipeg.

Tom was an avid guitarist, banjo player, and a member of several choirs. He loved his students, and was a strong advocate for social justice in the world. He will be lovingly remembered for his intense glare, his passion for the world of academia, his brilliant mind, and his Tilley attire!

His family express their deepest appreciation to the staff at Riverview Hospital for their compassionate and gracious care.

A celebration of Tom's life will be held on Saturday, July 24th, 2010, 1 p.m. at Edgewood-Oxford United Church, 3055 Connaught Avenue, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Presiding Cleric: The Rev. David Hann Ecumenical Cleric: The Rev. Elaine Walcott B.Th/M.Div