A celebration of the life of Warren Robert Wynn



Saturday, February 17, 2024 1:00 p.m. St. John's Episcopal Church Oklahoma City

"I am the resurrection and the life."

John 11:25



Warren Robert (Bob) Wynn, 85, of Oklahoma City, died peacefully on February 1, 2024. He was born in Shawnee, Oklahoma to Warren H. Wynn and Myrl Waters Wynn on September 13, 1938.

After graduating from Northwest Classen High School in 1957, Bob went on to college earning both a Bachelor of Science degree in Electronics and a Master of Business Administration in Marketing and Management from Oklahoma City University.

In 1958, the summer after Bob's first year of college, his parents sent him off to Idaho to live with an uncle and work in the silver mines. At the end of summer, he came back to Oklahoma, bought Virginia Louise Carter (Ginny) a set of

rings and they were married on May 24, 1959, in St. John's Episcopal Church. In May 2024, they would have celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary.

Bob had a successful, 33-year career with Southwestern Bell. He and Ginny lived in Oklahoma City, Bartlesville, St. Louis, Tulsa, New Jersey, and California throughout his career. After retirement, he and Ginny spent a year in Madrid, Spain where he worked for IBM and Telefonica España. He also did consulting work for 4 years for PAC Bell in California. He and Ginny enjoyed traveling all over the world.

Everywhere he lived, Bob served the Episcopal Church in a wide variety of ministries: Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Diocesan Convention Delegate, Layreader, & Youth group sponsor. He served in the Air National Guard for 8 years, was a Scoutmaster, and a Junior Achievement Mentor. He was an active member of the Brotherhood of Saint Andrew and met faithfully with a group of longtime friends he called the *Thursday Lunch Bunch*. He was a talented woodworker and an avid gardener.

A man of true integrity, Bob was always willing to help someone with home repairs or whatever was needed. He was a "doer", if something needed to be done, you could count on Bob to do it.

Bob is survived by his wife Ginny, daughter Louise King and her husband Mike; son Warren C. Wynn and his wife Wendy; grandsons, Michael J King III, Patrick C King, and Brendan R King; granddaughter: Jessica White; his younger brother: Albert Lee Wynn and wife Kay. He was predeceased by his parents, aunts, and nephew.

Donations in his memory may be made to St. John's Episcopal Church.

His funeral service will be held on Saturday, February 17, at 1:00 p.m., at St. John's Episcopal Church, 5401 N. Brookline Ave., Oklahoma City 73112. The Rev. Nathan Carr will officiate. Interment will be at the church.

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION AND THE CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF

Warren Robert Wynn

September 13, 1938

February 1, 2024

Prelude

The Processional The Hymnal, #208

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 1. The strife is o'er, the battle done, the victory of life is won; the song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!
- 2. The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their legions hath dispersed: let shout of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!
- 3. The three sad days are quickly sped, he rises glorious from the dead: all glory to our risen Head! Alleluia!
- 4. He closed the yawning gates of hell, the bars from heaven's high portals fell; let hymns of praise his triumphs tell! Alleluia!
- 5. Lord! by the stripes which wounded thee, from death's dread sting thy servants free, that we may live and sing to thee.
 Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

(All stand for the entrance)

The Officiant says:

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die. And everyone who has life, and has committed himself to me in faith, shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.

After my awaking, he will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God. I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself,

and none becomes his own master when he dies. For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord. So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you *People:* And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother Bob. We thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: deal graciously with Bob's family and friends in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

The Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶ On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of fat things, a feast of wine on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wine on the lees well refined. ⁷ And he will destroy on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸ He will swallow up death for ever, and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth; for the LORD has spoken.

⁹ It will be said on that day, "Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121 A Song of Ascents. **Assurance of God's Protection**

I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From whence does my help come?

² My help comes from the LORD,

who made heaven and earth.

³ He will not let your foot be moved, he who keeps you will not slumber.

⁴ Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD is your keeper;
 the LORD is your shade
 on your right hand.
 The sun shall not smite you by day,
 nor the moon by night.
 The LORD will keep you from all evil;
 he will keep your life.
 The LORD will keep
 your going out and your coming in
 from this time forth and for evermore.

The New Testament Lesson

Romans 8:14, 34-35, 37-39

¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the spirit of sonship. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶ it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

¹⁸ I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God;

³⁴ who is to condemn? Is it Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us?^[a] ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn In the Garden

- I come to the garden alone,
 While the dew is still on the roses,
 And the voice I hear falling on my ear
 The Son of God discloses.
 - o Refrain:

And He walks with me, and He talks with me, And He tells me I am His own; And the joy we share as we tarry there, None other has ever known.

2. He speaks, and the sound of His voice Is so sweet the birds hush their singing, And the melody that He gave to me Within my heart is ringing.

3. I'd stay in the garden with Him,

Though the night around me be falling,
But He bids me go; through the voice of woe
His voice to me is calling.

Minister: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel (The people remain standing)

John 14:1-6

"Let not your hearts be troubled; believe [a] in God, believe also in me. ² In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way where I am going." ⁵ Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me.

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord. **People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Eulogy The Rev. Nathan D Carr

Celebrant: In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

The Apostles Creed (The people stand.)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary,
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

For our brother Bob, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Bob and dry the tears of those who weep.

Hear us, Lord.

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life.

Hear us, Lord.

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven.

Hear us, Lord.

Our brother was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints.

Hear us, Lord.

He was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

Hear us, Lord.

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

(Silence may be kept. The Celebrant continues)

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our brother Bob who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that his death may recall to us your victory over death and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory Anthem

"Panis Angelicus"
Michael King, Soloist

Translation

May the Bread of Angels
Become bread for mankind;
The Bread of Heaven puts
All foreshadowings to an end;
Oh, thing miraculous!
The body of the Lord will nourish
the poor, the poor,
the servile, and the humble.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer B (The people stand.)

Caesar Franck

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is said.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the

fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed John the Evangelist all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, (People and Celebrant)

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The principal act of worship in the Episcopal Church is the Holy Eucharist. It is an occasion when we meet our Lord as Really Present in this Sacrament. All Baptized Christians are welcome and invited to receive Him in the Sacrament of bread and wine at the altar rail.

(The Priest and Attendants, Organist and Choir, first receive Holy Communion. The family of the deceased then comes to the Altar rail, followed by those members of the congregation who desire to receive Holy Communion.)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (Celebrant and People say)

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE COMMENDATION (All Stand)

Celebrant: Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints,

People: where sorrow and pain are no more,

neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Celebrant: You only are immortal, the creator and maker of

mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and

to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People: Give rest, O Christ to your servants with your

saints, where sorrow and pain are no more,

neither sighing, but life everlasting.

(The Celebrant says)

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Warren Robert Wynn.

Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive them into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn The Hymnal #376

1 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away; giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day. 2 All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. field and forest, vale and mountain, blooming meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

3 Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!

Thou our Father, Christ our Brother: all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

(The altar party and family, followed by the congregation, proceed to the Memorial Garden where the ashes are interred.)

The Celebrant will say:

Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me. He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit. My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also

shall rest in hope. You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our brother James, and we commit his body to the ground; * earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless him and keep him, the Lord make his face to shine upon him and be gracious to him, the Lord lift up his countenance upon him and give him peace. *Amen*.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Let us pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant: Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord.

People: And let light perpetual shine upon him.

May his soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.