

Homewood Friends Meeting

Memorial Meeting for Worship for Ned Worth October 17, 2021

For Friends (Quakers), a Memorial Meeting for Worship, an extended period of silence or worship," is a time of prayer, of thanksgiving, and remembering.

At times an individual may be moved to speak, to offer a prayer or a message that has come out of this silence. Most of the messages will, no doubt, relate to our memories of Ned and our celebration of his life.

Neither laughter nor tears are out of place. Any message that springs from our effort to connect with the Divine, and which is delivered in a worshipful manner, is appropriate. Reflections, poetry, scripture, singing, and stories may all be part of the fabric of memory we weave together.

All present are free to speak, but all messages should be brief. If you wish to speak and you are in the meeting room, please come up to the rug in the center of the room as you are able, and speak loudly and clearly so you may be heard by all.

Please leave ample pauses between speakers so that we may contemplate fully the import and meaning of your message and avoid interrupting each other.

At the appropriate time, Ann Walker Kennedy will signal the conclusion of the celebration by providing a few closing remarks.

In light of the COVID pandemic, masks must be worn inside the Meetinghouse at all times.

We are implementing other measures to reduce the risk of transmission. We ask that people sit with their family groups, 3-4 feet away from other family groups. Hand sanitizer is available, and its use is recommended.

Although it is the usual practice of Friends to shake hands at the rise of Meeting (and to hug) we ask that you please limit physical contact with people outside your family group. Recognizing that we all have varying levels of comfort with physical contact, especially during this pandemic, please secure permission before touching others.

A reception will be held outside immediately following the Memorial Meeting.



March 20, 1948 - October 11, 2021

Edward "Ned" Worth III was part of a family which has been Quaker for generations. He grew up in Wilmington, Delaware and lived there with his brother Bruce, his sister Joan, and his parents, Edward and Elizabeth Worth.

Ned attended Wilmington Friends School, George School, and Baldwin Wallace University. He managed the bookstore at Pendle Hill for many years and assisted in publishing the Pendle Hill pamphlets.

Ned was a man of many talents and had an eclectic professional life. He was working as first mate of the Baltimore Clipper City when he met the love of his life and future wife, Susie Higgins. They moved to Hawaii together where Ned worked at a nonprofit with children at risk. Several years later they returned to Baltimore where they were blessed with the arrival of their two lovely children, Lia and Sam.

Ned was an attendee and then a member of the Homewood Friends Meeting for over 15 years. Ned was an avid reader, nature lover, and a devoted husband and father. He was a gentle soul full of peace and loved by everyone he met. He will be greatly missed.