

IN MEMORIAM

Howard R. Alter, Jr.

November 1, 1918 to May 9, 2009

The Sixteenth of May, 2009
12:30 p.m.

The Presbyterian Church of Plum Creek
550 Center-New Texas Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15239

THE INEVITABLE

I like the man who faces what he must
With step triumphant and a heart of cheer:
Who fights the daily battle without fear:
Sees his hopes fail, yet keeps unfaltering trust
That God is God—that somehow, true and just,
His plans work out for mortals; not a tear
Is shed when fortune, which the world holds dear
Falls from his grasp—better, with love, a crust
Than living in dishonor; envies not
Nor loses faith in man, but does his best
Nor ever murmurs at his humbler lot:
But, with a smile and words of hope, gives zest
To every toiler. He alone is great
Who by a life heroic conquers fate.

-Sarah Knowles Bolton

Donations in memory of Howard Alter, Jr. may be made to:

The Presbyterian Church of Plum Creek, 550 Center New Texas Road,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15239

or

The Howard R. Alter Jr. Memorial Fund, Theta Chi Fraternity,
3330 Founders Road, Indianapolis, Indiana 46268.

Pall Bearers:

Joe Clack, Eta Sigma, 80, Arkansas Tech
Dave DeVol, Gamma Theta, 59, San Diego State
Dick Elder, Gamma Theta, 71, San Diego State
Ron Kibbe, Eta Zeta, 71, Edinboro
Pete Mackey, Alpha Phi, 78, University of Alabama
Marvin McConaghy, Alpha Phi, 72, University of Alabama
Bill Schuetze, Psi, 69, University of Wisconsin

Participants:

Al Bulliner, Beta Sigma, 65, Lehigh University
George Thompson, Esq., Oakmont, PA
Robert Booth, Corning, NY
William Booth, Theta Chi, 69, Theta Chi
Craig Cunningham, Soloist, New York, NY
Harry Campbell, Organist, Monroeville, PA
Dr. John J. Lolla, Jr., Pastor, Beta Omicron, 72, University of Cincinnati

Arrangements by: Ross Walker Funeral Home
217 Freeport Road
New Kensington, PA 15068

“Let not your hearts be troubled;
believe in God, believe also in me.
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?
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.
And you know the way where I am going.”
Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know
where you are going; how can we know the way?”
Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth,
and the life; no one comes to the Father,
but by me.
If you had known me, you would have known my
Father also; henceforth you know him and
have seen him.
Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you;
not as the world gives do I give to you.
Let not your hearts be troubled,
neither let them be afraid.”

John 14:1-7,27

**THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF PLUM CREEK**



PRELUDE

OPENING SENTENCES

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SOLO *The Lord's Prayer*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS:

Psalm 1:1-3

Psalm 23

Isaiah 41:1, 4-10

REFLECTIONS

Al Bulliner

George Thompson

Robert Booth

William Booth

NEW TESTAMENT LESSONS:

II Corinthians 4:5-12, 5:1

Hebrews 4:14-16

Philippians 3:7-14

SOLO *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

MEDITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SOLO *How Great Thou Art*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

All are invited to a reception at Oakmont Country Club,
1233 Hulton Road, Oakmont, PA 15139, following an
internment service at Plum Creek Cemetery.