Obituaries: Mack Cole, David Kuykendall

July 24, 2014

Mack Cole, 88, July 17 in Fort Worth. During World War II, he served in the South Pacific with the First and Third divisions of the Marine Corps. Following the war, the graduated from Hardin-Simmons University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Mack ColeHis pastorates included First Baptist Church in Anna, First Baptist Church in Lampasas, First Baptist Church in Snyder and Ridglea Baptist Church in Fort Worth. After retiring in 1981, he turned to pioneer mission work in Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Utah, Nevada and Montana. He also served as a volunteer missionary in Macedonia and conducted evangelistic crusades in several foreign countries. In 1991, he moved to Montana to become pastor of Big Horn Baptist Church in the middle of the Crow Indian reservation, where he served until July 2013. He wrote several books and contributed to various Southern Baptist publications. He also served as vice president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. He was preceded in death by his sisters, Mary Petree and Margaret Mitchell. He is survived by his wife Carol; sons, Louis and Stacy; daughters, Rachel Bailiff and Miriam Lambert; stepsons Michael and Stephen Browning; 15 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

David Kuykendall, 84, July 17 in Dallas. He was a graduate of Decatur Baptist College, Hardin-Simmons University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Early in his ministry he served churches in Montague, Stamford, Fort Worth, Alvord, McKinney, Greenville and Beloit,

Wisc. David KuykendallHe was pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of Oak Cliff in Dallas 27 years, leading the church to reach its urban neighborhood and teaching consistently about living an abundant life through God's grace. After retirement, he served at Royal Haven, Wynnewood and Kessler Park Baptist churches in Dallas. He wrote weekly devotions and several books on having a relationship with Christ and living by grace. These may be downloaded free at LivingByGrace.org. He was preceded in death by his son, David Jr. He is survived by his wife, Janie; son, James; daughters, Jane Beaumont and Kristi Coleman; brothers, Joe and Don; sister, Betty Carr; seven grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.