



## **Dale Patrick Crowley, Jr.** *October 27, 1928 - August 26, 2016*

Dale Crowley, Jr., (Dale Patrick Crowley) missionary, linguist, educator, author, and Washington, D.C., Christian broadcaster, died peacefully in Christ at his home in Kernersville, North Carolina, on August 26, 2016 at age 87. He was born in Oceanside, California on October 27, 1928, and grew up in Washington, D.C.

In response to God's call and General Douglas MacArthur's plea for Christian workers in post-war Japan, Dale and his wife, Mary Henderson Crowley, moved to war-torn Japan as missionaries from 1952 to 1961. After receiving his master's degree in linguistics from

Georgetown University, he moved to Hilo, Hawaii, in 1963 to work as a linguist for the Peace Corp Training Center. As a specialist in the Hawaii Department of Education, he advocated for a more positive view of Hawaiian Pidgin English (Hawaiian Creole) in the public school system, developing the state's first bilingual education program to teach "school English" to speakers of Hawaiian Pidgin. Later he became assistant professor of Japanese at the University of Hawaii at Hilo, where he published *A Manual for Reading Japanese*. He and his wife founded The Henry Opukahaia School in Hilo, which educated hundreds of students in its 20-year history. In 1976 he returned to the Washington, D.C., area to share the radio mantle of his father, Dale Crowley, Sr., eventually merging his father's daily broadcast with his own live broadcast, *The King's Business Radio Program*. He set himself apart from most conservative Christian broadcasters by opposing the policies of multiple Republican administrations, as well as the pro-Zionist movement supported by many American evangelicals. His most popular books included the political primer, *Is Politics a Dirty Word or a Sacred Responsibility?*, and, *On the Wrong Side of Just About Everything (But Right about it All)*. His vocal opposition against Evolutionism (he once sued the Smithsonian Institution) and against the theological system of Dispensationalism gave him enemies on both the left and the right. His faithful ministry of the Gospel of Jesus Christ continued to his dying days on earth through his daily radio broadcasts, visits to Japan and Brazil, letters to his converts, as well as through the lives and service of his children and grandchildren.

Dale Crowley, Jr., is survived by his five children, David Crowley, Sharon Overstreet (Terry), Grace Marie Lantz (Wayne), James Dale Crowley (Kim), and Celeste Bailey (Steve), as well as 19 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service for those in the Washington, D.C., area will be held at Believers Baptist Church/Leesburg Christian School on Saturday, October 22, at 11:00 AM. Memorial gifts may be sent to King's Business Ministries, Box 1, Washington, D.C., 20044.