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# In Memory of The Rev. Otto W. Heick, B.A., B.D., M.A., Ph.D., D.D., Litt.D.

#### 1895 - 1990

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Born 14 August 1895 in Ramelsloh, Germany, and baptized in the Lutheran church there, Dr. Heick studied at the Breklum and Kropp seminaries in Germany. In 1923 he came to Wittenberg College (B.A.) and Hamma Divinity School (B.D.) in Springfield, Ohio. Ordained in 1925 he completed the M.A. (1927) and Ph.D. (1932) degrees at the University of Nebraska. He came to the German Department of Waterloo College in 1947, and joined the Seminary faculty in 1949. Even after retirement in 1965 he continued to teach, until physical limitations forebade it in 1988. He was honored by Wittenberg College in 1949 and by Waterloo Lutheran University in 1965. Academically, he is remembered especially for his two-volume History of Christian Thought (1965–66) and his impressive list of articles both scholarly and popular.