



## Thomas Herbert Dimmock

November 29, 1921 - February 21, 2018

Mooreville, North Carolina- Father, friend, teacher, and husband, Thomas Herbert Dimmock, Jr. "Herb" passed into the next life peacefully on February 21, 2018 of natural causes. Born, in Norfolk, Virginia, on November 29, 1921, he lived 96 years marked by exuberance, unlimited optimism, humor, wisdom, and a keen sense of ethics and Christian morals. The son of a long line of Presbyterian ministers (seven generations before him), his commitment to the Presbyterian church was a lifelong mission, where he served as elder, teacher, and choir member. Born to The Rev. Thomas Herbert Dimmock, Sr. and Martha Belle Amis, he was a graduate of Davidson College and the University of Virginia - where he subsequently taught physics as well as at Wake Forest Univ. He married Anne Hortense Pruitt in 1948 with whom he had four children, all of whom survive him: Jane (Dimmock) Cain of Davidson, NC, Thomas Herbert Dimmock, III of Hershey, PA, David Dimmock of Baltimore, MD, and Jonathan Dimmock of San Francisco, CA. Herb married a second time, after Anne's death, to Edna Earl Chapman of Fredericksburg, VA. Herb's career started in the Army, having served as a First Lieutenant in WWII (14th Infantry, 71st Division), including participating in the liberation of Dachau, and serving as a temporary mayor in Germany. His profession as a physicist took him to the aerospace industry where he patented a fuel cell for the rocket to Mars. The last half of his career was spent in Northern Virginia where he served the Defense Intelligence Agency in matters related to missile defense. Herb loved to sing and play the piano - which he did nearly up until

his day of death. He was beloved as a Bible teacher and scholar, a passion which occupied him for at least 60 years of his life. Mostly, friends and family remember him for his gentle sense of humor, humility, warmth, and unusual ability to communicate interest in other people. A lover of the outdoors and physical health, his greatest accomplishment, in his words, was raising a loving Christian family. His funeral will be at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church, in McLean, VA, on Monday, Feb. 26, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Charitable donations, in his memory, may be given to the Dimmock Memorial Fund at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church or to his nephew, Frank Dimmock's, African missionary work through The Outreach Foundation: <https://www.theoutreachfoundation.org/dimmock-frank/> Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, NC, is serving the Dimmock family. Condolences may be made to the family at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas Herbert Dimmock*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Thomas Herbert Dimmock*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Thomas Herbert Dimmock*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Thank you Granddad Herb for coming into our lives and loving all of us like your own. Thank you for taking such good care of my grandmother. I love you! Peace in Heaven! Angie Prutzman and family*

**Angie Prutzman** - March 02, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *You were such a loving and caring step-dad and made a big difference in our lives. Your love, smiles, and, yes, even your delightful "corny" jokes will be remembered. :-) Always remember Jamaica and the hummingbirds. May God grant peace to all of the Dimmock family.*

**Pat Holden** - February 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ He will be greatly missed I enjoy talking to him he always made me laugh when I was having a bad he would make funny jokes. Churchill won't be the same without you. Praying for y'all

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**Megan Hardin** - February 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ We will miss you. I think you are in heaven eating chocolates with your loved ones! Thanks for being my very special step dad! Nancy Bounds

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February 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences to the family. May the peace of God and the fond memories you cherish comfort and sustain you in your time of need.-RM

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February 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Isch was a wonderful guy. He will be missed here, but I'm sure he's already made his presence known in heaven - playing the piano, or organizing a tennis match, or just sitting and talking to Anne and Edna and making new friends, too. His legacy will live on through all of you.

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**Casey Cain** - February 24, 2018 at 12:00 AM