

OBITUARY

Ronald S. Jamieson

Ronald Sinclair Jamieson, 85, of Greensboro, NC, formerly of Blairstown, NJ, departed this life on Thursday, December 27, 2007 at home with his loving wife and family next to him.

Born: On January 15, 1922 in Mendham, NJ, he was one of four sons born to the late James Jamieson, a Methodist minister of Sandess, Shetland Islands, Scotland, and Alice Landgraf Jamieson of Brooklyn, NY.

Personal: Ron was the husband of the former Marjorie Mettler, with whom he shared 43 years of marriage until her passing in 1985. In 1996, Ron married the former Margaret Benson, with whom he shared 11 years of marriage.

Being the son of a minister, their family moved from church to church in New Jersey. Ron attended seven grammar schools and three high schools, finally settling in Greensboro, NC. While attending Greensboro Senior High School, he was very active in sports. Ron was a first baseman and pitcher on the baseball team, played basketball, football and was a member of the track team. He received invitations to try out for the St. Louis Cardinals, Boston Red Sox, and the Philadelphia Athletics, but Ron was never able to join due to his enlistment in the Navy. Ron served on active duty for eight years as a First Class Petty Officer Pharmacist Mate.

Ron attended Duke University and Davidson College and graduated with honors from Guilford College in Greensboro, NC in 1949 with a BA in Economics. He became associated with the Jamieson Insurance Agency in Hackettstown and Blairstown, NJ as an independent insurance agent, later becoming the owner until his retirement in 1992.

He was appointed to the Portland National Bank Board of Directors in 1958, now known as PNC, in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Memberships: Ron was a member of Christ United Methodist Church in Greensboro, serving nine years as a Board of Visitors member of Davidson College, and was a member of the Robert Hall Morrison Society, also being the founder of the Round Table. He was a member of the Blairstown Rotary Club and served as its president from 1968 to 1969. He was also a member of the Kiwanis Club of Hackettstown, NJ, serving as vice-president from 1955 to 1956, and was a member of Independent Lodge #42 F&AM, Tall Cedars of Lebanon of Warren County, the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and was also a lifetime member of the American Forestry Association.

Survivors: In addition to his wife Margaret, he is survived by two sons, Ronald S. Jamieson II and his wife of Waynesville, NC and James M. Jamieson and his wife of Orange, Calif.; two daughters, Karen J. Ipek and her husband of Atlanta, Ga and Meredith J. Renz and her husband of Greensboro, NC; eight grandchildren; one great-grandson; a great-granddaughter, and twin great-granddaughters; four step-sons; eight step-grandchildren, and two step-great-grandchildren also survive Ron.

Three brothers, Robert "Coach Bob" Jamieson of Greensboro, NC, Herbert "The Rev" Jamieson of Asheboro, NJ and James Jamieson of Blairstown, NJ, all died earlier.

Services: There will be a graveside service on Friday at 11 a.m. in the Laurel Wood Cemetery, East Stroudsburg, Pa. Arrangements are by the Maclean-Chamberlain Funeral Home Inc., Wagontown, Pa, 610-384-7191.

Memorials: In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Hospice Palliative Care, 2500 Summit Ave., Greensboro, NC 27405; or Comfort Keepers of Greensboro, P.O. Box 4062, Greensboro, NC 27404.

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