



Richard Henry Thomas, Jr.

September 30, 1924 - October 9, 2009

Thomas, Richard H., Jr. - Richard H. Thomas, Jr., age 85 of Lawrenceville, Georgia died October 9, 2009. He was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, Doris Cheek Thomas, grandson Jonathan Thomas, brother Jerry E. Thomas, and parents Rube and Sadie Thomas. He is survived by two sons and daughter in-laws: Brent and Janet Thomas, Hoschton, Mike and Liz Thomas, Lawrenceville; Grandsons: Keith Thomas and wife Kara, Buford, Josh Thomas, Dustin Thomas and wife Ashley, Lawrenceville. Brother and sister in-laws: Nathan Holman and Becky Thomas, Conyers Frances Thomas, Loganville and Geneva Cheek, Dacula. Nine nephews and three nieces, several cousins. A native of Gwinnett County, R.H. was a State Farm Insurance Agent in Lawrenceville for 43.5 years. He was one of thirteen charter members of Central Baptist Church in Lawrenceville and one of three active deacons at organization of the church in 1958. He was an active member until present. Prior he was a member of First Baptist Church in Lawrenceville where he accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior in 1947. R.H. graduated Salutatorian from Grayson High School in 1941. In 1946 he graduated from Piedmont College with a Masters in Chemistry and a Minor in Math. He went on to obtain a Masters degree in Education from the University of Georgia in 1949. A veteran of World War II, R.H. served for 30 months in Africa, Italy and France as a medical technician in the 36th General Hospital. He taught high school Chemistry and Math at Lawrenceville and Sugar Hill two years each and was principal at Sunny Hill for one year. Starting with a

baseball team in 1948. R.H. worked with youth sports for at least 21 years, including church leagues, Little League and Dixie Youth. For several years he was affiliated with basketball and helped organize the Gwinnett County Basketball Officials Association. He was an avid Braves fan since 1966. Family will receive friends at Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 300 Simonton Road, S.W., Lawrenceville, Georgia, 30045. 770-962-3100, on Sunday, October 11, from 2:00 PM - 4:00PM and 6:00PM - 9:00PM The funeral service will be held at Central Baptist Church, Lawrenceville, 1:00 PM on Monday, October 12, officiated by Rev. Bob Hoggard, Rev. Clarence Cannon and Rev. Alan Madden. In Lieu of flowers donations may be made to Central Baptist Church, PO Box 149, Lawrenceville, Ga. 30046. Please sign online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com

Previous Events

Service

OCT **12**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Central Baptist Church
250 Gwinnett Drive
Lawrenceville, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Henry Thomas, Jr.*

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *Brent, Mike and families:*

You lost a wonderful father, father-in-law, and grandfather and we lost a great cousin. His memories will live on forever in the seeds he planted. He was truly a generous and giving person of what God had blessed him with and it will never be forgotten. I know he and your Mom are now rejoicing in heaven together. Our Loss is Heavens gain.##imported-begin##Beverley & Larry Cooper##imported-end##

October 27, 2009 at 03:39 PM



“ *Mike and Family,*

I did not hear about your dad until this morning, Tuesday, October 13. I send you and all your family members my thoughts and prayers. I can still see your dad running around the church getting things done! Especially on saturday nights at Training Union. Both he and your mother are in my memories of Central Baptist.

Sincere Thoughts-

Charlotte Ward##imported-begin##Charlotte Fuller Ward##imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 11:26 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Love,

Karen & Barry Pitman

and Davis Duncan##imported-begin##Karen & Barry

Pitman##imported-end##

October 10, 2009 at 07:44 PM