



Norman Dawson Jr.

January 12, 1925 - August 28, 2022

Norman Dawson, Jr., 97, was born on January 12, 1925, in Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois to the late Edna M. Dawson and Norman Dawson. He died on August 28, 2022.

He was married to his wife, Marilyn K. Dawson, for 73 years in 1948 and is survived by her and three children, son, Thomas Crowe Dawson of Tuskegee, daughter, Dianne Sorensen of Asheville, and son, David A. Dawson of New York City; five grandchildren, Kristen, Sonja, Anja, Hunter, and Christopher and nine great-grandchildren.

Norm received a Bachelor of Science degree from Cornell University in Mechanical Engineering. During World War II, he enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served at Oak Ridge, TN, and worked on Atomic Energy. He returned to Cornell after the War and played football, baseball, and track for 3 years. He received honors in "All East" and "All American"- honorable mention football. He later, after college, was a football official for the Big 10 and the Eastern Conference. He was active his entire life in many civic and professional activities. He played tennis for many years and won many awards- including one in his 80s proclaiming him No. 1 in North Carolina in that age group. He was an Elder in the Presbyterian Church.

He worked all his life in Industry and was transferred several times to Wisconsin, Virginia, Georgia, Tennessee, and Indiana with a company making mostly metal fabricated pieces for automobiles and household appliances. He became President of the Resistance Corporation in South Bend, Indiana, a

wire, and metal parts fabrication company.

In 1987, he retired, and he and his wife moved to Asheville, North Carolina, where they enjoyed the beauty and climate of the mountains as well as community activities.

In 2006, they moved to the Deerfield Episcopal Retirement Community where Norm was an active player and promoter of croquet and continued to play tennis.

His Memorial service will be held at St. Giles Chapel at Deerfield Retirement Community at 2:00 pm Saturday, September 24, 2022.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Norman's name to the Cornell University Football at Division of Alumni Affairs and Development, 130 E. Seneca Street, Suite 400, Ithaca, NY 14850, or to Deerfield Episcopal Retirement Community, BLT Fund, 1617 Hendersonville Rd, Asheville, NC 28803.

Morris Funeral and Cremation Care have been entrusted with Norman's arrangements, and you may send your condolences to www.morrisfamilycare.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **24.** 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

St. Giles Chapel of Deerfield Episcopal Retirement Community

1617 Hendersonville Road

Asheville, NC 28803

<http://www.deerfieldwnc.org/st-giles-chapel>

Tribute Wall



“ *Norman Dawson Jr.*

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