



Mr. Russell Arthur Matheson

March 7, 1931 - June 14, 2018

Russell Arthur Matheson, 87, of Asheville passed away on Thursday, June 14, 2018 at Care Partners Hospice following a brief illness. A native and lifelong resident of Asheville, he was born March 7, 1931 to the late George Arthur and Lillian Russell Manchester Matheson.

A 1950 graduate of Lee Edwards High School and a graduate of Asheville Biltmore College, Mr. Matheson was a veteran of the US Navy having served during the Korean War. He retired from Bell Telephone Company after 30 years of service.

Active in the Boy Scouts, he had Troop 24 for many years. He and the troops made three trips to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico. Mr. Matheson was also a 32nd Degree Mason in the Biltmore Masonic Lodge, having previously served as Master and was a volunteer with Beaverdam Volunteer Fire Department. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Asheville.

He is survived by his wife, Elaine Reams Matheson and they would have celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on August 22, 2018. Also surviving are his son, Russell Andrew Matheson and his wife, Debbie; his daughters, Susan Lynn Matheson and Janet Reams Ellington; four grandchildren, Joshua, Jenni, Elijah and James; great-grandchildren, Richard and Jackson; his sisters, Lynda Matheson Wilber and her husband, Robert and Georgia

Matheson Cowan and her husband, Bill and four nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held 2:00 PM, Monday, June 18, 2018 in the chapel of Morris Funeral Home, 304 Merrimon Avenue with Reverend David Blackmon officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service, beginning at 1:00 PM. Masonic rites will be conducted by Biltmore Masonic Lodge.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children, 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607 or CarePartner's Hospice, PO Box 25338, Asheville, NC 28813

Previous Events

Family will Receive Friends

JUN 18. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Morris Funeral & Cremation Care
304 Merrimon Ave.
Asheville, NC 28801
(828) 252-1821
info@morrisfamilycare.com
<http://www.morrisfamilycare.com>

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Russell Arthur Matheson*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *Elaine and everyone. So sorry to hear about Russ. I never will forget the time you were at our house and he made breakfast and Mama told him he'd beaten the eggs so bad he beat the bottom out of the bowl.*

David Weldon - June 17, 2018 at 09:24 AM



“ *Elaine and Family,
Thoughts and prayers for each of you. Worked with Russ for several years,
and was glad that he was able to come to a lot of our retiree lunches over the years.*

RJ

RJ Robinson - June 16, 2018 at 11:07 AM



My thoughts and prayers are with you all. All my love to you. Joyce Cochrane Earnhart.

joyce earnhart - June 17, 2018 at 08:38 AM



So sorry for your loss. Love and prayers, Joel & Carole Hampton Cotter

Carole Cotter - June 17, 2018 at 08:01 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Russell Arthur Matheson.*



June 16, 2018 at 08:48 AM



“ *Elaine,
I am broken hearted,I have lost a dear friend!
Our thoughts are with you and your family
Mary and Buddy Riesenberg*

Buddy Riesenberg - June 16, 2018 at 07:57 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mr. Russell Arthur Matheson.*



June 15, 2018 at 04:59 PM