



## Mr. Thomas Edmund "Ned" Whitmire

December 28, 1926 - February 5, 2019

Thomas Edmund "Ned" Whitmire, 92, of Asheville died Tuesday, February 5, 2019, after a long period of decline.

Ned was born in Brevard to Roland Jackson and Louise Tyler Whitmire on December 28, 1926. He graduated from Lee Edwards High School and entered the United States Navy in 1944 serving in WWII until 1946 being honorably discharged. He continued his education at Clemson University earning a BS in Architecture in 1951.

He became a licensed and practicing architect in NC in 1955 and SC in 1956 and established his own firm of T. Edmund Whitmire, AIA in Asheville in 1957. His firm's numerous projects included buildings, additions and renovations of businesses, UNC-A and public schools, churches and private residences mainly in WNC.

Ned became a member of Trinity Episcopal Church in 1937. Over the years he served as an acolyte, usher, church school teacher, youth counselor, vestryman and Jr. Warden. He also served on the boards of the Jr. Chamber of Commerce, Civitan Club, Botanical Gardens of Asheville and the Smith-McDowell House Museum and as an officer of the Western Council of Architects, Jr. Chamber of Commerce, NC Symphony Local Chapter and Asheville Regional Men's Garden Club of America.

He is preceded in death by his parents; wives, Jean Webster Whitmire and Ursula Nornabell Whitmire; daughter, Sally Whitmire Underwood; sister Mary Louise Whitmire Baker and brother The Very Rev. Roland Jackson Whitmire, Jr. all of Asheville.

He is survived by his granddaughters, Carmen Rose Carver of Asheville and Sarah Elizabeth Dulaney of Marietta, GA and his great granddaughter Samantha Marie Robbins of Asheville. He is also survived by two nieces, Anne Mellard Whitmire Parker of Peachtree Corners, GA and Mildred Louise Whitmire Catania of Raleigh, NC; two nephews, James Gudger Baker, Jr. and Roland Tyler Baker both of Asheville; two grandnieces and three grandnephews.

A funeral service will be held 11:00 AM, Tuesday, February 12, 2019, in the chapel of Morris Funeral Home, 304 Merrimon Avenue. Reverend Charlotte Waldrop will officiate. Burial will be held at Lewis Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions in Ned's name may be made to Trinity Episcopal Church, 60 Church Street, Asheville, NC 28801.

# Cemetery Details

## Lewis Memorial Park

415 Beaverdam Road  
Asheville, NC 28804

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

FEB 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Morris Funeral & Cremation Care  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Thomas Edmund "Ned" Whitmire*

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