



James Wilson Mackie

May 30, 1937 - September 5, 2025

James Wilson Mackie, of Bryn Mawr, PA and Hilton Head Island, SC, died peacefully in his sleep on September 5, 2025. Born In Raleigh, NC, he was the son of Dr. George C. Mackie and Kathleen Mackie Lake and the husband of Clare Frances Mackie. Born May 30, 1937, Jim grew up in Wake Forest and began his career in the food industry at 12 by building a “pop shop” near the University’s playing fields where he sold sodas to the students attending the games. The pop shop is still there.

A 1960 graduate of Wake Forest University and the Food Distribution Program at Cornell University in 1961, he worked for the American Stores company for 38 years, from 1960 to 1968, and was the Risk Manager for their East Coast division. He was the past president of the Scotch-Irish Society of America, Chairman of the Scotch-Irish Foundation, proud member of the Rotary International Club of Ardmore, and active in many community organizations. He was president of the Haverford Civic Association, and Chairman of the Main Line District of Boy Scouts.

A life member of the Union League of Philadelphia, and longtime member of the Merion Cricket Club, he played tennis with a group of good friends for decades. Jim was a member of the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church for over 65 years where he served as a Deacon, Elder, and member of the Senior Choir. Choir tours every three years to perform in Ireland, Cuba, South Africa,

Russia, Czechoslovakia, Germany, and other countries, and especially the tour he led with Clare to Brazil, were highlights that he treasured forever after.

In 2010 Jim and Clare started spending part of each year on Hilton Head Island and enjoyed many relaxing years together at home in the Low Country and traveling the Mississippi River, Egypt, Greece and Canada with friends.

Jim is survived by his wife of 33 years, Clare, daughters Linda Mackie of Newton, NC and Jane Mackie of Newtown Square, PA, stepdaughter Dianne Moore (Steve) of Charlotte, NC, granddaughters Elizabeth Heinley (Greg,) of Doylestown, PA, Kathleen Cook (Fred,) of Conover, NC, Kelley Warner (Brendan,) of Asheville, NC step granddaughter Ashlyn Walker (Gene,) of Charlotte, NC, and step grandson Joseph Moore of Charlotte, NC. "Jim-Jim" is also survived by seven great-grandchildren: Brooke and Benjamin Heinley; Freddy, Anna, and Lucy Cook; and Cameron and Casey Warner.

A service to celebrate and remember his life will be held in the Sanctuary of the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church on Saturday, October 18th, at 11:00 AM.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory can be made to the Fine Arts Fund of the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, 625 Montgomery Avenue, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **18**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church
625 Montgomery Avenue
Bryn Mawr, PA