



## Thomas Baird McIlvain

July 14, 1917 - July 29, 2013

Thomas Baird McIlvain, (Baird) 96, of Rosemont, PA and Sea Island, GA, passed away peacefully on July 29, 2013.

Born on July 14th, 1917 to Alida Brown Baird and Walter Biddle McIlvain, Baird grew up in Downingtown, PA on the family farm, Smokey Ridge, with his four siblings: J. Gibson, W. Biddle Jr., Alan, and Fanny B.

He is survived by his wife of seventy-one years Mary Boles McIlvain. He is also survived by his four children: Mary M. Begg (Charles), Thomas B. McIlvain Jr. (Claudia), Walter B. McIlvain (Ann), Alida M. Haslett (John), thirteen grandchildren, and fifteen great grandchildren.

After attending Haverford School, he worked for J. Gibson McIlvain Co. Unable to enlist during WWII, he joined the US Coast Guard. In 1956, he started T. Baird McIlvain Co. in King of Prussia, PA. The family lumber business, now called TBM Hardwoods, currently operates in Hanover, PA.

An avid outdoorsman and golfer, Baird was a proud member of The Merion Cricket Club, The Merion Golf Club, Pine Valley Golf Club, The Sea Island Golf Club, and Bushkill Rod and Gun Club. Rooted in his love for God, country, and family, he was a great patriot, who believed in the principles of hard work, discipline, and self-sufficiency. He was a wonderful role model,

father, and husband. An inspiration to all, he will be greatly missed.

A memorial service at The Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, PA will be held on August 20, 2013 at 3PM.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to Church of the Redeemer.

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG **20**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Church of The Redeemer  
230 Pennswood Road  
Bryn Mawr, PA