



Harrison Ray Anderson

September 17, 1925 - August 4, 2012

Harrison Ray (Lad) Anderson, Jr. 9-17-25 to 8-4-12

H.R. (Lad) Anderson was born in Wichita, Kansas, grew up in Chicago, Illinois. He graduated from Chicago Latin School, served in The Navy during WWII as a pilot, attended Northwestern University and graduated from Colorado State University in Fort Collins with a degree in Animal Husbandry where he met Lois Bromm, his future wife.

Lad and Lois were married January 2, 1950 in Denver, Colorado in Lois' home church. After a time in Lewiston, Idaho working for International Harvester Lad returned to Chicago to attend McCormick Presbyterian Theological Seminary. In 1953 Lad and Lois moved to Montana where he served parishes in Deer Lodge, Bozeman and Great Falls. His last parish was in Los Gatos, California where he and Lois spent fifteen wonderful years.

They retired to Big Sky, Montana and then moved to Bellingham, Washington after the birth of their first grandchild. They became part of the community in Bellingham and have called it home for the past 18 years.

Anderson received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Rocky Mountain College, Billings, Montana and earned a Doctor of Ministry degree from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. He was active in the

Presbyterian church at the local, regional and national level, serving for many years on the Board of the Presbyterian Foundation and the Board of National Missions.

Dr. Anderson is survived by Lois, his wife of 62 years, daughter Carolyn (Lynn) of Port Angeles, son David (Tim) of Seattle, daughter Laurie Newall (Tim) of Mt. Vernon, son Mark of Pittsburgh, PA., and three grandchildren, Annaleigh, Adelia and Ross Newall.

Memorials can be sent to First Congregational Church, Bellingham, St James Presbyterian Church, Bellingham or the Covenant Network of the Presbyterian Church or a place of your choice.

“In life and in death we belong to the Lord.” Romans 14:8

Services will be Sunday, August 12 at 1:30 p.m. at First Congregational Church, 2401 Cornwall, Bellingham.

Farewell Tribute Information

Memorial Service:

Sunday, August 12, 2012

1:30 p.m. at First Congregational Church

2401 Cornwall Avenue in Bellingham

Tribute Wall

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“ *My condolences to the entire Anderson family.... I enjoyed my collegial relationship with Lad from San Jose Presbytery and North Puget Sound and admired him and his ministry..*

Ted Mattie - August 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *To the family of Lad Anderson:
When our friends hurt we hurt. We share with you the loss of Lad to our community and count our blessings for the time we had to know him. Please convey our condolences and love to all members of the family.
Mary Ann, David and George Drake*

Mary Ann, George and David Drake - August 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *Please accept my sympathy in the painful loss of your dearly loved Harrison. You the loving Family & Friends will surely grieve his loss. May the Bible Verses that follow give you comfort, hope & peace.
Isaiah 25:8 “HE WILL ACTUALLY SWALLOW UP DEATH FOREVER, AND THE SOVEREIGN LORD GOD WILL CERTAINLY WIPE THE TEARS FROM ALL FACES”*

Rita Perry - August 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GW

“Lad was the minister at the Deer lodge church when I was in college and then at seminary. He was my mentor. I don't know what I would have done without his gentle, wise counsel during that time of deliberation as to my future. He was unbelievably kind and wise. So helpful knowing I was at a loss but doing so in such a way I didn't feel that I was dealing with this alone. I wrote to him in the late '90 s to thank him. I am ever so grateful he was put on my life at that time. God bless his family.

Genece Oshanyk Warren - August 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PA

“My prayers are for your comfort during this transition but Lad was the model in Christ for all transitions. Lad was a well seasoned interim at Mt. Vernon Pres. when I met him. His actions were a model to me of a well lived life. I praise God for his life.

Patti Allen - August 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM