

Don was born in Rochester, New York on June 3, 1931. He was the youngest of five children of Leslie G. and Francis Thomas. He received a Master of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Pennsylvania, where he taught in the School of Engineering for three years. He then entered the Aerospace Industry, participating in numerous space programs. He retired from the Elkton Division of Thiokol Corporation where, for 36 years he was manager of their Information Systems Department.

He was an active and well respected member of the Masons for 35 years, serving in many leadership roles, including Worshipful Master of Hiram Lodge #25 and Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware in 2004. Ill. Brother Don actively participated in all activities of Masonry, whenever and wherever possible. He was crowned a 33rd degree Scottish Rite Master Mason on September 26, 1979, he was installed as an Active Member of the Supreme Council of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in September 2000, and became Deputy for Delaware in September 2002.

He was appointed as the Intendant General for Delaware of the United Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine in June 1989. He was a member of the Jesse Green Priory No. 7, Knights of the York Cross of Honour, where he served as Prior and Recorder-he proudly wore four quadrants in that body. Ill. Brother Donald also served as Dad to the Robert S. Gallagher Chapter of DeMolay in 1979 and he received the Honorary Legion of Honor, Delaware Preceptory.

Don and Pam were active members of the Newark Community and the United Methodist Church. He served his church as the Head Usher for the 9:30 am service for over 35 years, as well as serving on a number of church committees. Donald was very active in Boy Scout Troop 255, located in Newark, serving as the church coordinator for that troop for 15 years.

He is survived by his beloved wife Pamela Brewell, originally of Cheam, Surrey England. They were married in Christ Church, Sutton England in September of 1954. With members of both families still residing in England, they enjoyed frequent trips to Europe. Don is also survived by daughter Tracy, also of Newark; his son Chris and daughter-in-law Julie of Raleigh, NC; as well as many nieces and nephews. His siblings Mort, George, Bob and Doris predeceased him.



MW Donald D. Thomas
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PROGRAM

June 8, 2018



- Welcome and Initial Statement: WM Cesar Aniceto
- Prayer PM James Herrington
- Senior Warden (Masonic Service) SW Michael Barnard
- Prayer PM James Herrington
- Junior Warden (Masonic Service) JW Gerry Brennan
- Eulogy and Don's Contribution
in the Blue Lodge PM David Laucius
- Don's Work and Contribution
in the Grand Lodge PGM Glenn Davis
- Don's Work and Contribution
in the Scottish Rite PGM Herbert Atkinson
- Don's Work and Contribution
in the York Rite PGM James Pletz
- Closing Statement WM Cesar Aniceto
- Closing Prayer and Benediction PM James Herrington