

Robert Paul Merrix

May 6, 1926 – April 5, 2007

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Robert Paul Merrix, 80, a 10-year resident of Wilmington, North Carolina, and formerly of Akron, Ohio, passed away on Thursday, April 5, 2007 at his residence.

He was born on May 6, 1926 in Princeton, West Virginia to William and Margaret Atkins and later adopted by Gladys and Robert Merrix.

Merrix received his PhD in English (Renaissance Literature) at the University of Cincinnati in 1966, and served as a professor at the University of Akron from 1966 to 1994.

He received the Warren W. Wooden Award for Scholarship from the Patristic Medieval and Renaissance Conference in 1987. Merrix served as the head of the Department of English from 1982 through 1987 and was widely published on English Literary Renaissance.

He is survived by his first wife, Katie Merrix, Peru, and their son, Terry Merrix and wife Debra, Peru. Also surviving are two sons, Steven and Jeffrey, by his second marriage to Clair, who is deceased; his third wife, Mary Alice; and step-children, Robert and Bonnie; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and one sister, Capitola.