



## **Thomas McCormick**

**April 15, 1937 – March 10, 2015**

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Memorial service for Ret. Colonel Thomas (Tom) Holt McCormick of Auburn, Alabama, is Saturday, March 28, 2015 at 1 p.m., Trinity United Methodist Church, Opelika, Alabama. Reverend Earl Ballard is officiating. A reception will be held immediately following the service.

Mr. McCormick, who died on March 10, 2015, in Columbus, Georgia, was born in Hinton, West Virginia on April 15, 1937. He was raised by his school-teaching parents Mac and Martha McCormick in West Virginia. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1958 and received his Master's Degree from the University of Missouri. Tom served 24 years in the U.S. Air Force and his career field was missiles. Upon his service retirement, he continued working with missiles in Huntsville, Alabama, finishing at Stennis Space Center in Mississippi. Later he became a United Nations weapons inspector and traveled to Iraq looking for weapons of mass destruction.

As a civilian, he headed up the Hancock County Food Pantry in Mississippi. Tom loved his country and his church, where he ran the We Care Ministry. He was involved with Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Auburn teaching history

classes. He enjoyed gardening, his dog, his family and Auburn sports. His was a life of service.

He is survived by wife of fifty-five years Sally, daughters Lea McCormick of Los Angeles and Kate McCormick of Minneapolis, son Cary McCormick of Phoenix and two grandsons Austin and Chase.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Samaritan's Purse, PO Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607 or Feeding God's Children, TMUC, 800 Second Ave., Opelika, AL 36801.

Jeffcoat-Trant Funeral Home & Crematory is in charge of arrangements.