

**Rev. Thomas Craig Redfern**

Rev. Thomas Craig Redfern, 77, of Highlands, passed away on Sunday, Feb. 5, 2006, at his residence.

Born in Winston-Salem, he was the son of the late Dr. Thomas Craig Redfern and Dorothy Faucette Redfern.

He attended public schools in Winston-Salem and completed high school at Darlington School in Rome, Ga. He received an undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina in 1948. He enlisted in the Marine Corps, completing his enlistment as a captain; worked briefly for Chatham Manufacturing Company; attended the Episcopal Theological Seminary in Cambridge, Mass., and received a doctor of theology degree.

As a parish priest, he served as an assistant to the clergy at Calvary Episcopal Church in Cincinnati, Ohio; assistant rector at the Church of the Ascension in Clearwater, Fla.; rector at St. Wilford in Sarasoto, Fla., and at St. Matthews in St. Petersburg, Fla. He retired from St. Matthews in 1993 and moved with his wife to Franklin in 1995.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, M. Sondra Skidmore Redfern; three daughters, Anne Drane and Katherine Lindsay of St. Petersburg, and Susan Bolenbaugh of Franklin, Tenn.; a sister, Dorothy Redfern of Clemmons; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 4 p.m., at St. Agnes Episcopal Church in Franklin.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the donor's choice.

Condolences can be sent to the family at 56 Joe Pye Trail, Highlands, NC 28741.

Macon Funeral Home in Franklin is in charge of the arrangements.

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