

The Reverend Edward (Ted) Prescott Thompson

Rev. Edward P. Thompson (Ted) died peacefully on Dec. 9, 2025, with family and friends by his side. He was 98 and 1/2 yrs. old. Born in Bedford on June 6, 1927, Ted was the son of Edward J. Thompson and Reta (Collicutt) Thompson. He was predeceased by sisters Lucille (Burton Crowe), Ruth (Bennett Colp), Eleanor (Cecil Lowe), Jean (Burton Frellick), Audrey (Ken Burn), Heather (Keith Barrett) and two infant siblings, Molly and Laddie. Ted was also predeceased by his first wife, Margaret Johnson, and his second wife, Dr. Dora A Stinson. He is survived by his brother in law, Keith Barrett, and many nieces and nephews. Ted is survived by four children: David (Catharina) Lake-Thompson and children Gillian (Sally) and Ian (Irene); Ann Stalker and children Teddy (Terri MacPherson) Stalker and daughter, Jane / Becky Stalker (Kyle Rauscher) and sons Max and Rowan / Rob Stalker; John (Wendy) Thompson and daughters Breann (Kyle Smith) and son Wyatt / Katie (Derek Cowing) and children Ethan and Emery; Dr. Peter Thompson. Ted's early education was in Bedford and at Queen Elizabeth High School, and his faith was nurtured at the Bedford United Church. In 1951, Ted was ordained by the United Church of Canada and also received his M. A. (Dalhousie) and B. D. (Pine Hill). He served in the ministry for 41 years in the following churches: New Bandon, Rothesay and Campbellton in N. B., St. Andrew's in Sydney, N. S., MacKay United in Ottawa, O.N. and St. Matthew's in Halifax, N. S..He considered it an immense privilege to have shared the way of Christ with hundreds of people for over four decades. Ted was Chairman of Presbytery in Miramichi, Sydney and Ottawa, as well as president of the Montreal/Ottawa Conference of United Church of Canada. In Halifax, he belonged to the Waegwoltic Club and was chaplain of the North British Society. Ted was well known for his love of antiques and his ability to restore old furniture, especially old clocks - clocks, clocks and more clocks! His outdoor hobbies included hunting, fishing, golf and meticulously caring for his beloved begonias. His great interest in genealogy led him to write and publish his own family history in 2015. AN EXPANDED IDENTITY is an account of Thompson-Duncan genealogy in Scotland, Ireland and Nova Scotia. The Thompson family would like to thank the staff and residents of the Berkeley Gladstone, Halifax, for the care, compassion and friendship shown to Ted during his years there. A special thanks goes to Keith Barrett, Ted's brother in law, for all the love, kindness, assistance (oh, so many errands done) and the time Keith spent with Ted. Ted chose to donate his body to the Dalhousie Faculty of Medicine for medical research. The Celebration Of Life service was held on August 19, 2026 at the Bedford United Church, Bedford, NS.