



## George Gilbert Thompson, Jr.

May 14, 2008

George Gilbert Thompson, Jr., 75, passed away peacefully in his home on May 14, 2008. George was born May 20, 1932 in Wisconsin, to George G. and Grace Lee Kane Thompson.

George's love of books, reading, anything by Shakespeare and his beloved cats were the center of his life. He was the longest serving volunteer for the Friends of the Portsmouth Public Library. For twenty years, George was the Book Store Manager in charge of the Friends monthly book sale. His expertise in selecting books and his organizational skills were invaluable. The library was George's second home, and reading his favorite sport.

Many favorite customers came monthly to the book sale to peruse and purchase George's most recent additions to the collection. They, along with the library staff, the Friends of the Library, and his cats have lost a treasured friend.

George retired after thirty-two years in the Norfolk Naval Shipyard as an Accounting Technician. He also spent many years working in the Great Bridge Book Store.

He is survived by a daughter, Pat Royal of Maryland, a son David Scott Thompson, and half-brother Joseph Pinard of Norfolk.

Loving Funeral Home is handling arrangements. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Friends of the Portsmouth Public Library or to the Portsmouth Humane Society.