



## Grant Lewis Thompson, Jr.

August 17, 1944 - May 2, 2021

Grant Lewis Thompson, Jr., 76, of 1408 Broad Street, Altavista died Sunday, May 2, 2021 at his home. He was the husband of Cheryl Lee Wickert Thompson for 53 years.

He was born August 17, 1944 in Syracuse, NY, a son of the late Grant Lewis Thompson, Sr. and Evalina Anderson Thompson. He was a former member of Thalia United Methodist Church and a member of Mead Memorial United Methodist Church where he was a member of the choir. Mr. Thompson loved all sports, including basketball, golf, bowling, swimming, fishing, and especially baseball; and was a retired convenience store retail manager.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Jason Thompson of Virginia Beach; one daughter, Lisa Byrd of Altavista; two sisters, Michele Evans of Mount Kisco, NY and Barbara T. Budziak Browning and her husband, Bill of Syracuse, NY; and eight grandchildren, Hailey, Gabriel, Gavin, Chloe, Austin, Jasmine, Madison, and Kendall.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Bill and Glenn Thompson; and two sisters, Joy Thompson and Janet T. Friem.

A memorial service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Friday, May 7, 2021 at Finch and Finch Chapel, Altavista by the Rev. Marcia Wickert and Pastor

David Worley.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 7:30 p.m., Wednesday at Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider Mead Memorial UMC Music Program, 13317 Wards Rd., Lynchburg, VA 24501, Campbell County Rescue Squad, PO Box 4123, Lynchburg, VA 24501, The American Heart Association, 4217 Park Place Court, Glen Allen, VA 23060, or American Diabetes Asso., 4335 Cox Rd., Glen Allen, VA 23060.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 5. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch, Altavista  
809 Main St.  
Altavista, VA 24517

## Memorial Service

MAY 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch Chapel  
809 Main St.  
Altavista, VA 24517

# Tribute Wall



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Grant Lewis Thompson, Jr.*



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**Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service** - May 05, 2021 at 11:16 AM

ME

“ *Family,*

*I am send love and peace your way. Sorry I couldn't be there. I love and miss you all. I'm sure Grant is in heaven having a ball with the rest of the family, or he's entertaining the little children with his fabulous Donald Duck voice :)*

*Blessings and love as always,*

*Missi*

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**Michele Evans** - May 06, 2021 at 05:20 PM

BS

“ *Cheryl, Lisa and Jason, I am saddened to hear about Grant's passing, but know he is singing with the angels and loving being with all his relatives in heaven. I missed hearing his solos when the family left Thalia UMC. He will be missed. Prayers, love, peace and hugs to you Cheryl and family.*

*Barbara Summers*

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**Barbara Summers** - May 06, 2021 at 02:52 PM

GB

“ Wonderful memories sitting beside you in the tenor section of Thalia UMC. Your friendship was so special to me. Loved hearing your beautiful voice guiding me through the music each week. I feel so fortunate to have known you.  
*Ginger Boyer*

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**Ginger Bpyer** - May 06, 2021 at 04:18 AM

KW

“ Dear Cheryl, Lisa and Jason,

*Please accept my deepest sympathies for Uncle Grant's passing, he was a kind and decent man. I regret the years and miles between us but remember him fondly for the time I knew him well.*

*The times I remember and think of Grant are: ....when there's a pool party - Grant was always the first one in the pool and the last one out. ...when I play Rummy - our first visit to Virginia Beach for Christmas, Grant stayed up every night playing Rummy with my brother Scott and I (he never let us win by the way).... whenever I hear Donald Duck I think of his impersonation - to tell the truth I never knew what he was saying but he made me laugh every time ...and mostly I remember Grant when I hear someone, like my son Spencer, who has an infectious laugh that fills up a room.*

*When my father Chuck died in 2009, a close friend told me that the best way to honor him was to live a life he'd be proud of. I will add Grant to that list and hope you do too.*

*I'm sorry we couldn't be there with you today, but we are with you in spirit.*

*Very truly yours,*

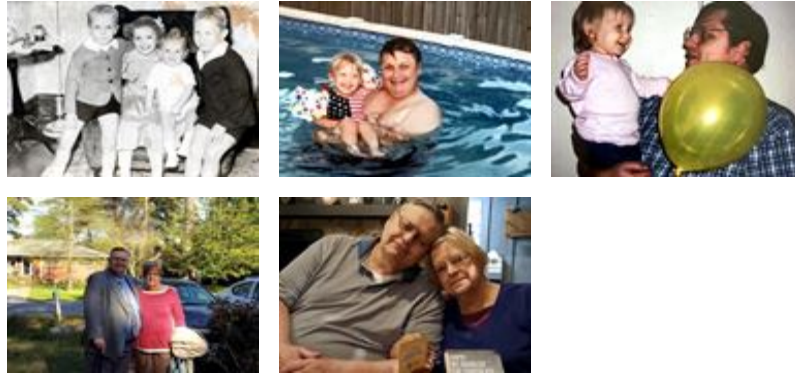
*Kevin Wickert  
(nephew)*

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**Kevin Wickert** - May 05, 2021 at 07:47 PM



“ 53 files added to the album Life Tributes



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - May 05, 2021 at 09:35 AM

BB

“ My oldest brother. I always looked up to you. I know you are with Mom and Dad, Janet, Billy, Glenn and Joy. Take care of all of them. Cheryl, Jason and Lisa, you are in my prayers. Love to all.

Barbara Browning - May 05, 2021 at 09:29 AM

JT

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jason Thompson - May 04, 2021 at 05:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Grant Lewis Thompson, Jr..*



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May 04, 2021 at 04:45 PM



“ *Dear Cheryl and family,  
We are saddened by Grant's passing but take comfort in knowing he is in the arms of His father.  
How many anthems, solos, and cantatas did he sing at Thalia UMC? Far too many to count. Grant's faithful participation in rehearsals and worship services was a blessing beyond measure. His beautiful voice is not stilled for there is no doubt that the angels welcomed him into the heavenly choir.  
With love and comfort,  
The Choir & Men's Ensemble of Thalia UMC*

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**Thalai United Methodist Church** - May 04, 2021 at 10:22 AM



“ *The greatest father a son could ever have. He will be missed. Love you DAD.*



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**Jason Thompson** - May 03, 2021 at 05:58 PM