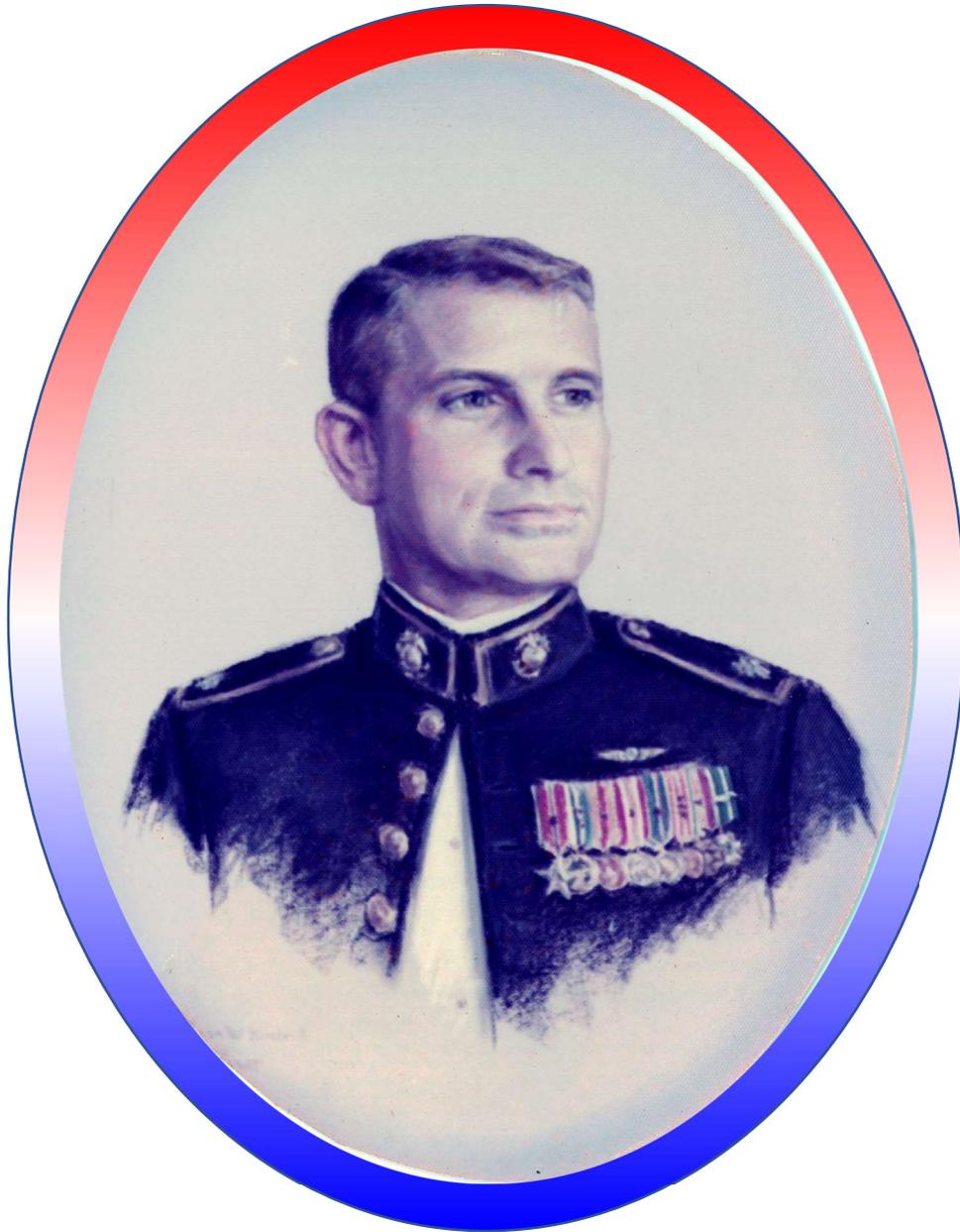


In Loving Memory of



*A SERVICE OF CELEBRATION
FOR THE LIFE OF*

Col. Harrison W Kimbrell

February 23 1931 — February 25 2022

MARCH 27, 2022 1:00 PM

Bethlehem Lutheran Church-Fort Myers, FL

*Celebrating the Life and the Eternal Life
Of
Col. Harrison W Kimbrell
February 23 1931 — February 25 2022
Syracuse, NY Fort Myers, FL*

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✠ ORDER OF SERVICE ✠

P Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. He comforts their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

C Thanks be to God.

OPENING HYMN *(please rise)*

837 LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

(Stanzas ref–6)

**ref Lift high the cross, the love of Christ
proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.**

1 Come, Christians, follow where our Captain
trod,
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Refrain

2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.

Refrain

3 All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.

Refrain

4 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee.

Refrain

5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell.

Refrain

6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! **Refrain**

**ref Lift high the cross, the love of Christ
proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.**

INVOCATION

PIn the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and
of the Holy Spirit.

CAmen.

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

PIn Holy Baptism Harrison W. Kimbrell was
clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness
that covered all his sin. St. Paul says: "Do you
not know that all of us who have been baptized
into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

C**We were buried therefore with Him by
baptism into death, in order that, just as
Christ was raised from the dead by the glory
of the Father, we too might walk in newness
of life. For if we have been united with Him in**

a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.

KYRIE

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

C Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for Your loving-kindness shown to Harrison and to all Your servants who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful unto death and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 15:1–6

God's Covenant with Abram

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” ⁴And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” ⁵And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM (*Spoken by all*)

Psalms 23

The LORD Is My Shepherd

¹The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not want.

²He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

³He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil, for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

EPISTLE

Ephesians 5:1–8

Walk in Love

¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

³But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. ⁴Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. ⁵For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. ⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not associate with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(please rise)

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:36-40

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty second chapter.

CGlory to You, O Lord.

³⁶ “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” ³⁷ And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. ³⁸ This is the great and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰ On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

PThis is the Gospel of the Lord.

CPraise to You, O Christ.

(please be seated)

HYMN OF THE DAY

809 GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail
not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

**ref Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy
faithfulness!**

**Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Refrain

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to
guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain

HOMILY

"Grace Peace and Mercy"

. . . Pastor Karl

(please rise)

APOSTLES' CREED

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

**the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father,
who raised Jesus from the dead.

P Almighty God, You have knit Your chosen
people together into one communion in the
mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our
Lord. Give to Your whole Church in heaven and
on earth Your light and peace. Lord, in Your
mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Grant that all who have been baptized into
Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin
and rise to newness of life and so pass with Him
through the gate of death and the grave to our
joyful resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Grant that all who have been nourished by the
holy body and blood of Your Son may be raised
to immortality and incorruption to be seated with

Him at Your heavenly banquet. Lord, in Your mercy,

Chear our prayer.

PGive to the family of Col. Harrison W Kimbrell and to all who mourn comfort in their grief and a sure confidence in Your loving care that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love. Lord, in Your mercy,

Chear our prayer.

PGive courage and faith to the bereaved, that within the communion of Your Church they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

Chear our prayer.

PHelp us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and find comfort in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of

sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,

Chear our prayer.

PReceive our thanks for Col. Harrison W Kimbrell and for all the blessings You bestowed on him in this earthly life. Bring us at last to our heavenly home that with him we may see You face to face in the joys of paradise. Lord, in Your mercy,

Chear our prayer.

PO God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come will be able to separate us from Your love, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

CAmen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS

P “I am the resurrection and the life,” says the Lord. “He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die.”

C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;

**Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation
which You have prepared in the sight of
every people:
a light to reveal You to the nations
and the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to
the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will
be forever. Amen.**

P “I am the resurrection and the life,” says the Lord. “He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die.”

CONCLUDING COLLECT

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord God, our shepherd, You gather the lambs of Your flock into the arms of Your mercy and bring them home. Comfort us with the certain hope of the resurrection to everlasting life and a

joyful reunion with those we love who have died in the faith; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P May God the Father, who created this body; may God the ✝ Son, who by His blood redeemed this body; may God the Holy Spirit, who by Holy Baptism sanctified this body to be His temple, keep these remains to the day of the resurrection of all flesh.

C Amen.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the death of Your Son Jesus Christ You destroyed death, by His rest in the tomb You sanctified the graves of Your saints, and by His bodily resurrection You brought life and immortality to light so that all who die in Him abide in peace and hope. Receive our thanks for the victory over death and the grave that He won for us. Keep us in everlasting communion with all who wait for Him on earth and with all in heaven who are with Him, for He is the

resurrection and the life, even Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION AND DISMISSAL

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and
✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

P Let us go forth in peace,

C in the name of the Lord. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

GOD BLESS AMERICA

God bless America, land that I love

Stand beside her and guide her
Through the night with the light from above
From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam
God bless America, my home sweet home
God bless America, land that I love
Stand beside her and guide her
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From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam
God bless America, my home sweet home
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TAPS

We are gathering immediately after the memorial service to honor Col. Harrison W Kimbrell. We will enjoy a luncheon. We hope to see you there.

The family would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of love, care, and prayer in these days.

THE PARTICIPANTS

Pastor: Rev. Karl P. Glander
Organist: Holly Bell
Reader: Pam Rugenstein
Videographer: Jeffrey Kirsch

In loving memory of Col. Harrison W Kimbrell,
(February 23 1931 - February 25 2022).

He cherished his family and friends, country, and church.

In Loving Memory of Harrison W. Kimbrell

Born in Syracuse NY, the son of Fravor and Harriett Kimbrell, Harrison completed his secondary education at the Manlius School and entered the Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina. Graduating in 1954 he was commissioned a Lieutenant in the US. Marine Corps. Raising in rank to Lt. Col, he served as an infantry and aviation officer, in command and staff assignment, at sea, ashore, and beyond the seas in the western Pacific Stations.

Lt. Col. Kimbrell was a graduate of the Infantry Officers Course, The Marine Amphibious Reconnaissance Course, The Naval Gunfire Air Spotters School and the Jungle Warfare School. During his Marine service, he attended Northwestern University and was twice assigned academic duties teaching Naval Science as a college faculty member, first as Assistant Professor at the University of South Carolina and later as Associate Professor at the Citadel.

At the onset of the insurgency in the Dominican Republic in 1965, then Captain Kimbrell and another officer were immediately ordered to

secure the Dominican airport which was held by insurrection forces. For his action he was awarded a personal decoration for combat valor. In 1968-69 he participated in combat actions with the 1st and 3rd Marine Divisions in Vietnam and received personal combat valor decorations for infantry leadership in hostile fire actions.

In 1974 he retired from the Marine Corps and pursued his personal interest in Special education. Col. Kimbrell was one of the original founders of the Trident Academy in Charleston SC, a school for dyslexic students where he served as both Chairman of the Board and Headmaster. In 1979 he was called to Brandon Hall School in Atlanta where he became President of the boarding school for bright underachieving students. During the years of his Presidency, the school received wide national acclaim and recognition for educational leadership and academic excellence.

An early national leader in education of students with learning differences, Kimbrell received several awards and recognitions for academic leadership and educational accomplishments. He was one of the first educators designated a National Distinguished Principal, and he received

commendations for his educational accomplishments from the US Secretary of Education, the Governor of Georgia, The Council of American Private Education, The College Board, the University of South Carolina, the US secretary of Defense, and the Metropolitan Atlanta Community Foundation.

Kimbrell's academic leadership positions included serving on numerous boards related to the education of exceptional children. For over a decade, he served as President of the Georgia Private Educational Council and Chairman of the Georgia Association of Private Schools for Exceptional Children. In 1986 the US Secretary of Education and the Secretary of Defense recognized his leadership at ceremonies in Washington DC.

Col. Kimbrell was married for 67 years to Joyce Taft Kimbrell, and both were devoted members of the Southwest Florida Bull Terrier Rescue Club. He is survived by two sons, a daughter-in-law, and two grandchildren.

Memorial gifts In Harrison Kimbrell's may be directed to the Bull Terrier Rescue Club of

Southwest Florida, c/o Joan Spangler, Treasurer,
29413 Cochiti Lake Drive, San Antonio, FL 33576.