A Celebration of the Life of

Donald Trimble

Music for Gathering Dr. Lisa Lewis

ENTRANCE

Welcome/Words of Grace and Greeting

Opening Prayer Pastor Cathy

***Opening Hymn** *O For a Thousand v.1-3, 5* UMH 57

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

First Reading Hailey Masterman
Matthew 25:35-40

Second Reading Deb Cardin
Psalm 23

Homily Pastor Laura

Sharing Memories Eugene McPhail

Hymn *How Great Thou Art* UMH 77

Slideshow Dr. Lisa Lewis

Eulogies David Trimble
T.J. Trimble

COMMENDATION

Prayer of Commendation Pastor Cathy

The Lord's Prayer

Our Creator, 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. Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* **Hymn number** *Amazing Grace v. 1-6* UMH 378

* **Reading** *1 Cor. 15: 51, 52-55, 57* Read in unison

Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed. For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying will be fulfilled:
'Death has been swallowed up in victory.'
'Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?'
Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

*** Hymn.** *I'll Fly Away* FWS 2282

Benediction Pastor Laura

Presentation of Flag Commander Eugene McPhail
United States Navy (retired)

Taps HLUMC Brass

Music to Depart Dr. Lisa Lewis

*indicates an opportunity to stand in body or spirit, as you are able

You are invited to gather in the Friendship Room for a reception immediately following the Memorial Service.

Donald Matthews Trimble, born December 10, 1936 in San Francisco, California, died September 20, 2026 in Seattle, Washington at age 89. He spent his early childhood in San Francisco then moved to San Bruno, California in 1941. His family moved to Mold, Washington, outside Coulee City in 1946 only to move to Mansfield, Washington in 1951. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War from 1962 to 1966, first aboard the destroyer USS Galveston and later as a Naval Gunfire Liaison officer in Vietnam. He continued in the Naval Reserves for more than 20 years, attaining the rank of Commander. A Fulbright scholar to India with a master's degree in political science, he taught economics, American government, and political science at North Seattle College for four decades before retiring in 2007.

He met his wife, Marta Lynn McAlexander, in 1983 and married in 1984. He welcomed her children Debra and Craig into their new family, and together they had two sons, David and T.J. The family lived for about 20 years in the Maple Leaf neighborhood of North Seattle before moving to Brier, Washington in 1998. After Lynn died in April 2014, Don remained in Brier until 2024, when he moved in with T.J. and his family in Seattle.

Don lived a life of giving: coaching baseball, leading Cub Scout dens and packs, teaching Sunday school, and hosting large Christmas gatherings. He was predeceased by his parents Tom and Darlene, his wife Lynn, and his brother Richard. He is survived by his children Debra Cardin, Craig Masterman, David Trimble, and T.J. Trimble, and his grandchildren Ariana Bullock, Hailey Masterman, Olivia Masterman, Avery Trimble, and Finley Trimble. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests gifts to Fairwood Community United Methodist Church, to be given to charity.

✧Officiant: Rev. Laura Baumgartner

✧Guest Pastor: Rev. Cathy Law

✧Minister of Music: Dr. Lisa Lewis

✧Greeters: Jon Daniel and Carol Knock

✧Acolyte: Phillip Junkins

✧Reception: United Women in Faith

In Loving Memory of

Donald Trimble

December 10th, 1936 – September 20th, 2026



November 15th, 2026
2:00PM

Haller Lake United Methodist Church
13055 First Avenue Northeast

Seattle, Washington 98125