

Thomas Clark Jackson(1921 - 2016)

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Thomas Clark Jackson, 95, of Bloomfield, Connecticut, died on November 16, 2016. Born in Brooklyn, New York, on March 16, 1921, the youngest of four sons, to G. Harry and Mae Clarke Jackson, Tom attended the Loomis School in Windsor CT, Williams College and Rutgers University, where he was tapped for Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, excelled on the swim team, and presented the first of many jazz radio shows, "Vintage Jazz" . He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1942. In World War II, he served in the Army 15th Air Force as a sergeant. After the war, Tom worked as an advertising salesman in New York for Fawcett and Ziff-Davis publishing companies. He married Elizabeth Boulton of Haddonfield, New Jersey, on January 21st, 1946, and in 1952, they moved to Rowayton, CT, and raised four children: Tom Junior, Andy, Sally and Timothy. He was head of the Tom Thumb Tent in the Circus Fans of America, and an usher at the United Church in Rowayton, and continued his radio shows under the names of Jack the Bear (Jazz From the Edge of Town) and Stalebread Schwartz (Jazz from the Berkshires). He established his own agency and became a freelance salesman, and resumed swimming and officiating at swim meets. On August 22, 2003, he married Anne Nichols "Jiggsie" Jackson and moved to Duncaster in Bloomfield CT, where he was well known for his genial good humor and encyclopedic knowledge of baseball and Dixieland jazz. He is survived by his wife, Anne Nichols Jackson, and children, Andy, Sally and Tim. There will be a gathering in Tom's honor at Duncaster on Monday, November 21, 2016, from 4:00pm. - 5:00pm. In lieu of flowers, donations in his name will be accepted at The Duncaster Foundation, 40 Loeffler Rd., Bloomfield, CT. 06002. Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home, West Hartford has care of arrangements. For online condolences, please visit www.taylorandmodeen.com



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