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01.28.05 - Jack T. Kimbrell, 83, of Sonoma, died Jan. 24, 2005, in Sonoma.

Mr. Kimbrell was born April 23, 1921, in Peoria, Ill. He graduated from Purdue University in 1943, and served in the U.S. Navy in World War II. In 1948, he received his master's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Missouri, and he married Maxine Murphy. They moved to Pullman, Wash., where he taught mechanical engineering at Washington State University for 32 years. After retiring in 1986, the Kimbrells moved to Albuquerque, N.M., where they lived until moving to Sonoma seven years ago.

Mr. Kimbrell is survived by his wife of 56 years, Maxine; sons, James (Pamela) Kimbrell, of Pittsburgh, Michael (Jean) Kimbrell, of Huntington Beach; and a daughter, Ellen (Gary) Weadock, of Albuquerque, N.M. He will be missed by his grandchildren, Colin Kimbrell, Robin Kimbrell, Robert Anderson, Megan and Stewart Weadock; and his sister, Ellen Brinkman, of Sonoma.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, at the Sonoma United Methodist Church, 109 E. Patten St. Interment in Pullman, Wash.

Memorial donations may be made to Sonoma Brown Bag, P.O. Box 748, Sonoma, CA 95476; or the United Methodist Church.

Arrangements under the direction of Duggan's Mission Chapel.

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In the Sonoma Valley Hospital emergency room, dad had decided not to have extraordinary measures taken should his heart stop beating, or should he stop breathing. Mom had to explain the question to him, and ask him what he would want to do if this should happen. He replied, "Tell 'em goodbye." Mom indicated to the doctor what she thought he meant. As soon as she said this, dad reached for her and said, "I'm sorry." Crying, mom said, "You don't have anything to be sorry about. You've been the best husband that anyone could ask for, and I love you so." After a few moments, dad turned to me and said, "You take care of your mother." I promised I would.

I was honored to be able to witness such a tender moment between my parents. That single exchange said more about their 56 years together than any memorial or set of photographs ever could.

[#1](#) Ellie (Kimbrell) Weadock on Feb 14 2005, 12:32 [Reply](#)

There will be a Panachida held for dad on Friday, March 4th, at 8:00 am (on the 40th day of his passing). It is being offered by Pam, Jim and Colin Kimbrell. All are welcome to attend.

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church
903 Ann Street
Homestead, PA 15120

The Eastern Church follows the visions of St Macarius of Egypt with respect to the experiences of the soul immediately after its repose.

There is a solemn Divine Liturgy served on the third, ninth and fortieth days after death, but the soul is commemorated daily, and should be, for each of the forty days during Liturgies.

The fortieth day marks the end of the soul's sojourns on earth where it visits the places and people it knew when it lived in its body and begs for prayer during this basic transition phase. During that time as well, the soul is shown heaven and hell as it prepares for the time when it will be assigned a place in the "forecourt" of one or the other until the Final Judgement when Christ will return again in glory to judge the living and the dead.

The Divine Liturgy on the fortieth day is the Church's and our prayer to God to ask for the forgiveness of the departed soul's sins so that the soul might be received into the heavenly embrace of our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ.

[#2](#) [James Kimbrell](#) on Feb 22 2005, 17:59 [Reply](#)

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