



## Dr. John Cecil Anderson

August 23, 1918 - March 12, 2022

Dr. John Cecil Anderson, age 103 of Dayton, went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Saturday, March 12, 2022, at Spring City Care and Rehabilitation Center. He was born in Mud Camp, KY, on August 23, 1918, the son of the late Leslie Anderson and Ruby (Anderson) Anderson. He was also preceded in death by his wife, Harriet (VanOrder) Anderson; his son, John Douglas “JD” Anderson; his brother, Leslie Clavin Anderson; and his sister, Margie Everett.

Dr. Anderson graduated from Moody Bible Institute in Chicago in 1941 and attended the University of Illinois until January 1942 when he entered the US Navy. While in the Navy, he served as a Chief Petty Officer in the South Pacific during World War II. He returned and graduated from the University of Illinois after his time in the Navy. He then graduated from Dallas Theological Seminary with a Th.D. in ancient languages.

Dr. Anderson moved to Dayton in 1955 to become a professor of Greek, Hebrew, and Bible at Bryan College. He was a member and former Sunday School teacher at Grace Bible Church.

He is survived by his son, Jim (Priscilla) Anderson of Dayton; his daughter, Anita (Rev. Dan) McMillan of Athens; his brother, Sam Anderson of Soddy Daisy; six grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-

grandchildren.

Funeral services with military honors for Dr. Anderson will be at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at Rudd Auditorium on the campus of Bryan College with Dr. Jim Woychuk and Rev. David Hobbs officiating. He will be laid to rest next to his wife at Rhea Memory Gardens on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at 12:00 noon.

The service will be live streamed at <https://my.gather.app/remember/dr-john-anderson>.

Memorial gifts in Dr. Anderson's name may be made to Bryan College, 721 Bryan Dr., Dayton, TN 37321.

Please share your memories of Dr. Anderson on his online guest register at [www.vanderwallfh.com](http://www.vanderwallfh.com).

The family is being cared for by Vanderwall Funeral Home in Dayton, TN. The family will receive friends after 4:00 p.m. until the time of the service on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at Rudd Auditorium at Bryan College.

# Cemetery Details

## Rhea Memory Gardens

Hwy 27  
Dayton, TN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 15. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Rudd Chapel  
Bryan College  
Dayton, TN

## Funeral Service

MAR 15. 7:00 PM (ET)

Rudd Chapel  
Bryan College  
Dayton, TN

## Burial

MAR 16. 12:00 PM (ET)

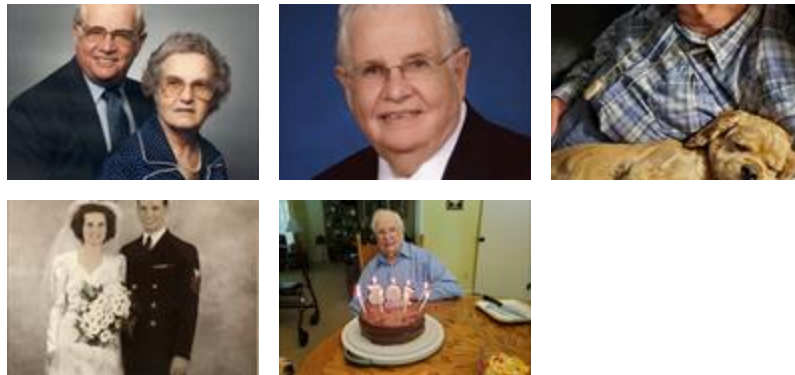
Rhea Memory Gardens  
Hwy 27  
Dayton, TN



# Tribute Wall



“ 10 files added to the album Memories Album



Vanderwall Funeral Home, Inc. - July 22, 2022 at 02:34 PM

MC

“ I have many memories of the Anderson Family who lived next-door to us in Faculty Circle for many years. What a remarkable life Dr. Anderson lived for 103 years! That is absolutely amazing! When I think of him, his tremendous loyalty to Bryan College comes to mind along with his love for the Lord! He came to Bryan in his younger years and never left! The children and I spent many hours together playing softball in the field in front of our homes, and I can still hear and see their mother calling loudly for JD, the oldest son. In those days we lived outdoors from morning until after dark! Mary Frances (Rudd) Carlson

Mary Frances Carlson - March 15, 2022 at 02:08 PM

BR

“ Dr. John Anderson was a man who imparted his love for the Lord and for God’s word to his students. If you didn’t take Greek, he felt you were a “part of the unwashed heard.” Dr Anderson left a great legacy, and his influence will be missed. It was a privilege to serve with him. Dr. Richardson

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**Brian Richardson** - March 15, 2022 at 07:33 AM

EP

“ Eulis, Wendy, Elijah and Abigail Presley purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Dr. John Cecil Anderson.



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**Eulis, Wendy, Elijah and Abigail Presley** - March 14, 2022 at 03:13 PM

JD

“ Doc Anderson was the most influential person in my life during my college years. He was one of the reasons I went to Dallas Theological Seminary and into the ministry. He didn't just teach Greek and Hebrew. He taught "life." I still remember so many of his "sayings." Only heaven knows the impact he had in the lives of his students.  
-Jerry Day (1982)

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**Jerry Day** - March 14, 2022 at 03:01 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. John Cecil Anderson.*



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March 13, 2022 at 08:21 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. John Cecil Anderson.*



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March 13, 2022 at 07:15 PM