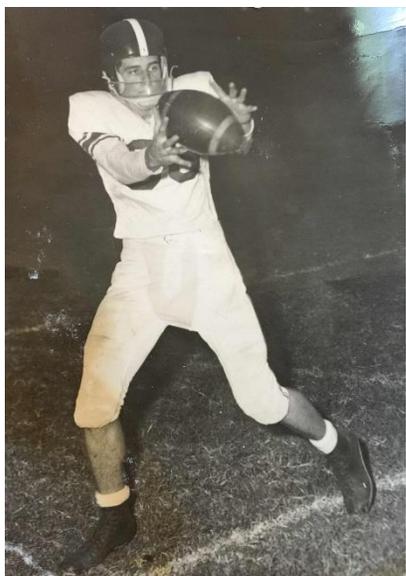

In Loving Memory of Thomas Morgan Moore (1936-2014)

As we share news of our CONNECTED Capital Campaign for Saint James' Episcopal Church and School, we must honor our dear friend, Tom Moore, who remembered Saint James' in his estate plans. Tom's bequest to Saint James' provided the first contribution to the CONNECTED Capital Campaign.



Tom was an active and generous member of our congregation from 1969 until his death in 2014. Over the years, the breadth of his ministry and his frequent willingness to offer his handiwork have left Tom's fingerprints upon nearly every nook and cranny of Saint James'.

Well-known for his kind and gentle manner, and for being the embodiment of a true Southern Gentleman, Tom was born in Greensboro, NC and was raised in Burlington, NC.



He attended Washington and Lee University in Lexington, VA, where he was the only one in his class to letter in three sports - baseball, basketball and football.

Tom also graduated from Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, VA, with a Master's Degree in Divinity. He was the assistant to the rector at Saint James' from 1969 to 1972, and had the unique and fulfilling experience of living with 40 parish families during this period of time.

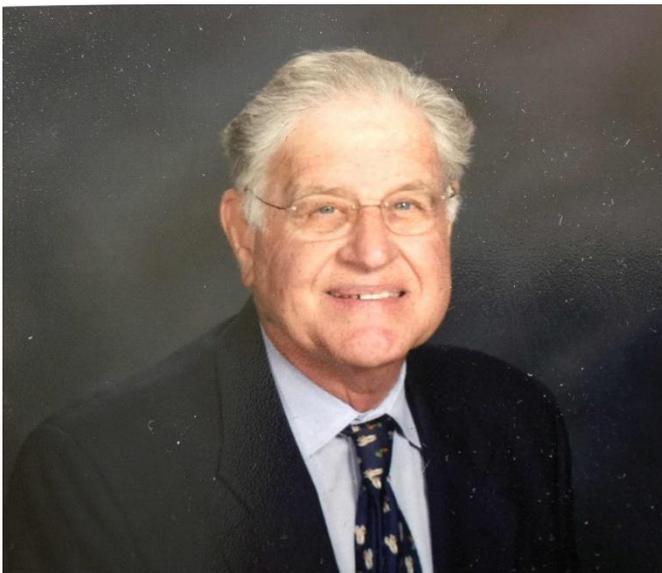
Tom's loving life partner, fellow Saint James' parishioner, Marie Moore, was kind enough to tell us about Tom and his dedication to Saint James'.

Tom was the kindest person I have ever known. His kindness extended to everyone including animals. His outlook was so positive and he always looked for the best in every person. He was a cradle Episcopalian who truly lived his faith. To me his life was a real example of what it means to be a Christian because kindness, goodness, honesty, and love led his way. Tom once explained to me that he went to Virginia Theological Seminary (VTS) because of what he described as a "nagging" to serve. It was a pull he had felt from an early age. The years he spent as the assistant to the rector at Saint James' were so meaningful to him and Saint James' was an important part of Tom's life and heart. He was a dedicated member of the parish and welcomed the opportunity to serve Saint James' in all capacities as long as he was able.

Although he had his Masters in Divinity, Tom ultimately did not pursue ordination and decided to continue his career in real estate. I think his decision to use his business skills and also to hold tight to his heartfelt desire to serve ultimately allowed him to reach many people in the community. He would go out of his way in his business dealings to make sure everyone was treated with fairness and respect even if it meant making compromises that sometimes were not in his best personal interest. He was fair and honest in all things and his goodness and dependability did not go unnoticed.

As Tom made his estate plans he was determined that VTS and Saint James' be equally provided for and remembered. His bequest to VTS provides financial support to students of the seminary and to ordained priests for continuing educational opportunities. His gift to Saint James' was to be used however the vestry saw fit to use the funds. He trusted that the church would figure out the best way to serve the community.

I believe Tom would be pleased that his bequest is being used to renovate the church and build the new building for the school. He served others freely and openly in his life. He never sought any recognition for his good works or to bring any attention to himself. Tom's life was one of service to others.



We are grateful to Tom for his leadership and his hope that Saint James' would continue to be a place of love and learning; a home to the extended family of Christ for years to come.