

CHARLES "BO" RANKIN

Charles 'Bo' Mayo Rankin, 95, passed away peacefully at his home in Jacksonville, Fla., on March 3, 2023. Mr. Rankin was born in Rochester, Minn., on Sept. 9, 1927, to the late Fred W. Rankin and Edith Mayo Rankin. He was the grandson of Mayo Clinic co-founder Charles Mayo. Mr. Rankin served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II and was honorably discharged in September 1948. He attended Harvard University for his undergraduate studies and received a Master's degree in Teaching from Emory University. Thereafter Mr. Rankin wed the love of his life and late wife, Annie 'Leola' Dumas. They spent much of their lives in Milledgeville, Ga., where Mr. Rankin found great passion in teaching English at Georgia College from which he retired. He was preceded in death by his wife and three siblings, Thomas A. Rankin, Fred W. Rankin, and Edith 'Missy' Redden. A special offer of gratitude is extended to his friends and caregivers of over 20 years, Catherine & Roosevelt Underwood. Mr. Rankin leaves behind numerous nephews and nieces. A private memorial service was held with family on Friday, June 2, 2023, at Lexington Cemetery in Lexington, Ky. In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or a charity of one's choice.