



Retired U.S. Army Col. Elbert Satterlee Throckmorton, age 92, beloved husband of Norajane Rumph Throckmorton, was promoted to glory on Friday, Oct. 21, 2016.

Born and raised in Moberly, Missouri, he was a son of the late Charles Elbert and Virgie Satterlee Throckmorton. He received an appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point in New York and matriculated with the Class of 1946. He achieved the rank of colonel as his final rank in the United States Army. He was stationed in various places during his career: South Korea for part of the Korean Conflict in the 1950s; White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico; Cheyenne Mountain as a command director; and his last station of Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland, where he, along with a group of others, worked in prototype for the Patriot Missile. During his career with the U.S. Army, he enjoyed many hobbies, most notably that of trapshooting. Elbert was the first member of the Amateur Trapshooting Association (ATA) to shoot an 100 straight from the 27 yard line during a Handicap event. This had never been done before since the 27-yard line came into existence in 1955. Elbert had only been shooting from the 27-yard line for about a week. 11 days after he reached this milestone, Hall of Famer Dan Orlich did the same.

He is survived by his wife, Norajane Rumph Throckmorton of Sumter; a daughter, Helen Leigh Throckmorton of Sumter; a brother-in-law, Scott Winfield Rumph Jr. of Sumter; his sister, Ellyn Throckmorton Brothers of Columbia, Missouri; three nieces; three nephews; and grandnieces and grandnephews. He attended the Mayesville Presbyterian Church.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Katherine Throckmorton Donohue.

A private burial will take place in the Ft. Jackson National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mayesville Presbyterian Church, Good Samaritan Fund, P.O. Box 141, Mayesville, SC 29104. You may go to www.bullockfuneralhome.com and sign the family's guest book. The family has chosen Bullock Funeral Home for the arrangements.