



Dr. Zachariah Mathew

March 14, 1939 - July 1, 2020

Dr. Zachariah Mathew (81) went to be with his Lord and his parents on July 1st, 2020. He fought the good fight after being bedridden for 7 months with complications of congestive heart failure, renal failure and diabetes.

He was born on March 14th, 1939 at Kunnampulam, Kerala state, India to devout Christian parents Mr. C.J. Zachariah and Mrs. Susanna Zachariah, both teachers. He is from Kottilil, Cheruvathur family. He is the grandson of Rev CM Joseph, Kottilil achen, who served the Marthoma Church ministry for 24 years without remuneration. Dr. Mathew is the second oldest among the seven children. His siblings, Dr. CZ Uthuppuru, Dr. Simon Zachariah and Mrs. Grace Abraham stay in Bloomington, IN. His other siblings Mr. CZ Zachariah, Mr CZ Davis and Mrs. CZ Susanna Johnny reside in Kerala, India.

To some he was known as Dr. Mathew, to others fondly as Mathukutty but to us he was a loving husband, a caring father and a wonderful grandfather.

After his schooling in Kunnampulam, he joined the 2nd batch at Kerala Veterinary College and graduated with distinction in 1960. Following that, he worked in a rural veterinary hospital at Wadakkanchery, Kerala, and then he went to study for MVSc (in bacteriology) at Bombay Veterinary College and PhD (in virology) at Haffkine Institute, Bombay. While doing his MVSc, he met his future wife, Dr. Thankam Mathew. Both Drs. Mathew were passionate about veterinary medicine research. Their work took them around several Indian states, and across 6 continents. He was a pioneer in several veterinary related fields, including working in pharmaceuticals at Ranbaxy Laboratories

where he headed their veterinary division. They both migrated to USA in 1993 and Dr. Zachariah Mathew retired from Wyeth International as the Manager of Regulatory Affairs. In retirement, he published his book “Scientific Theory of Gene Recycling”.

For many, Dr. Zachariah Mathew was known for his strong Christian values, prayerful nature, humility, simplicity, kindness, generosity, and his sociable personality. He loved to sing Christian Gospels and other traditional Malayalam songs.

He is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, his caring daughters Trini, Tripthi, and Taji, his supportive son-in-law Bijou and his grandchildren Tanishq and Tiara who he was always proud of.

A viewing and Marthoma Church funeral service will be held on Wed. July 8, 2020 at 10 am at the Allen Funeral Home Chapel followed by final blessing at the graveside. Dad will be laid to rest at the Valhalla Memory Gardens, Bloomington, IN where his late mother also rests.

Our dad, grandad, and loving husband will be missed dearly. But we know we will meet him at our Lord’s side.

Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom”
Jesus answered him, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.” –
Luke 23:42-43

Instead of spending money on himself, Dr.Mathew was passionate about helping others. In lieu of flowers, to honor his legacy, please make donations for ‘Drs. Zachariah & Thankam Mathew’ Scholarship at the Michael Job Center of Education (www.mjc.ac.in) students in Coimbatore, India.

For US tax deductible donations, make check out to

Jobs Mission Inc.

24 Clinton Ave, Merrick, NY 11566

For India donations, make check out to:

Love In Action Society

V-31 Green Park Main, New Delhi 110016, INDIA

Cemetery Details

Valhalla Memory Gardens

310 North Johnson Ave.
Bloomington, IN 47401

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory
4155 S. Old State Road 37
Bloomington, IN 47401
(812) 824-5905
<http://www.allencares.com>

Service

JUL 8. 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DM

“ Dear Daddy,

Remembered you on your 87th Birthday today with family and friends.

https://www.123greetings.com/birthday/mom_n_dad/birth_momndad_e

*With Love and prayers,
Tripthi*



Dr. Tripthi Mathew - March 14 at 10:32 PM

DM

“ *Happy Valentine's Day Dear Daddy!
Remembered you and Mummy in prayers especially this morning and the chocolates we shared together with Mummy on Valentine's Day!*



Dr. Tripthi Mathew - February 14 at 07:16 PM

DM

“ *Dear Daddy,
Remembering and prayed for you on All Soul's and All Saint's Day, Nov 1-2, 2025. I know you are watching over us.*



Dr. Tripthi Mathew - November 02, 2025 at 05:46 PM

RM

“ Dear Daddy and Mummy, Happy 60th Wedding Anniversary!
<https://youtu.be/5R3qbiR4Sec>
We love and miss you.



Rev. Dr. Tripthi Mary Mathew - September 06, 2025 at 01:33 PM

TM

“ Dear Daddy,

Remembering you on your 5th Death Anniversary and always. God be with you till we meet again.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GZHrtHdbdOE&list=RDGZHrtHdbdOE&start_radio=1
May your soul rest in Peace.



Tripthi Mathew - July 01, 2025 at 09:34 AM

DM

“ Dearest Daddy,
Wish you a Happy Father's Day! This card brings memories of your sa hairstyle looks like a Lion's head :). If I am a lion so, are you as my De Father. I believe you are first a Levite but also from the Judah's tribe fr other Father-Jonathan, son of King Saul. Thank you for protecting us, g us, sacrificing your time and energy for us. However, most importantly tearful prayers, and fasting for our well-being. With Love and Prayers,
https://www.123greetings.com/events/fathers_day/happy_fathers_day/

Dr. Tripthi M. Mathew - June 15, 2025 at 09:16 AM

DM

“ Dear Daddy, Wish you a Happy 86th Birthday!
Remembering you today and always in
Prayers.



https://www.123greetings.com/birthday/mom_n_dad/birth1.html

Dr. Tripthi Mary Mathew - March 14, 2025 at 12:15 PM

DM

“ Remembering you Dear Daddy, as I saw you
in a dream last Tuesday. We were sitting at a
Restaurant, and you looked happy eating the
dish. And I asked you what are we celebrating
Daddy? V-day was around the corner and
your B'day one month from yesterday.



Dr. Tripthi Mary Mathew - February 15, 2025 at 03:53 PM

DM

“ Happy Valentine's Day!



Dr. Tripthi Mary Mathew - February 15, 2025 at 03:50 PM

TM

“ Tripthi Mary Mathew sent a virtual gift in
memory of Zachariah Mathew



Tripthi Mary Mathew - February 15, 2025 at 03:49 PM



“ Remembering you Dear Daddy on All Souls Day and always.
May your soul RIP.



Tripthi Mathew - November 02, 2024 at 04:45 PM



“ Remembering you Dear Daddy today and always. With Love and Prayers. Dr. Tripthi Mathew



Dr. Tripthi Mary Mathew - July 01, 2024 at 09:29 AM



“ Dr. Zachariah Mathew was my friend since i met him in Nigeria in 1978. He was a scientist, veterinary epidemiologist and in charge of an independent unit with the Federal Government of Nigeria. Later he went back to work with Ranbuxy Pharmaceutical Company in New Delhi. On migration to to USA he worked with some famous vaccine and pharmaceutical companies in New Jersey. He wrote over hundred papers and some scientific books.
I always admired him as my hero, colleague and best friend..
He will be in my prayers today, tomorrow and till I perish..

*Dinker Nawathe
44 Gillis ST # D,
Nashua NH 03060*

Dinker Nawathe - July 16, 2020 at 05:03 PM

AP

“ Anitha, Sreekumar, Kiran and Pallevi purchased the Silver Victorian Tear Bottle with FREE Matching Tray for the family of Dr. Zachariah Mathew.



Anitha, Sreekumar, Kiran and Pallevi - July 07, 2020 at 10:17 PM

PC

“ Dr. Trini Mathew- So very sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Prayers to you and all of your family during this difficult time.

Paula Crook - July 07, 2020 at 07:56 PM



“ White Standing Wreath was purchased for the family of Dr. Zachariah Mathew.



July 07, 2020 at 04:08 PM

SV

“ Will miss kunjatten uncle

Susy Giji Varghese - July 07, 2020 at 02:08 PM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Dr. Zachariah Mathew.



July 07, 2020 at 12:31 PM

“ Dear Thankam ,Thaji,Thriпти and Trini

*Don't grieve for him , for now he is free.
He is following the path
God laid for him, He took His hand when
He heard him call. He turned his back and left us .*

*He could not stay another day
To laugh,to work or play
The task left undone may stay that way.
He found that peace at the close of day.*

*His parting that left void
Fill it with memories of joy.
A friendship shared, a closeness
Yes these things we too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow.
We wish you with sunshine of tomorrow.
His life been full of good friends
Good times and loved ones touch.*

*Perhaps his time seemed all to brief.
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with Him,
God wanted him now,He set him free.*

*All that earned him the love,the admiration
The respect of family and friends,
Feeling for our times with him,
Enhanced for knowing him*

*Feeling blessed to have his remarkable spirit
Here among us for ever.
Don't grieve for him,for now he is free.*

*He is following the path God laid for him.
He took his hand when he heard him call.
He turned his back and left us all.*

Madvesh and all his ex Ranbaxy colleagues.

C K Madvesh - July 07, 2020 at 12:10 PM

VA

“*Mathukutty Uncle we miss you greatly. Even though we were far apart geographically we knew you were always praying for us and we were praying for you. Some key memories from my childhood and early adult life were with you. I remember how you made me happy after an allergic reaction caused a missed trip to the Taj Mahal. I remember how you helped me be a cool kid for a few days in the 4th grade with a new Casio calculator watch (I was telling some friends about this just a few days before you passed). I remember how you helped me in the 6th grade to write a report on the history of the Olympics (still considered my best work to date). I also remember how you called when I graduated from college and got my first job. You gave wonderful advice and support. I also remember how you always called me Vince.*

Thank you for the wonderful example that you set for us all. We love you and miss you. We look forward to the day when we see you again. You were a great Uncle and from what I have seen and heard you were a great man, father, husband, brother and friend to many. Bhabi Aunty, Taji Chechi and Family, Tripthi Chechi and Trini Chechi we pray for you during this difficult time.

Vince

Vinson Abraham - July 07, 2020 at 10:48 AM

SK

“ My good friend Dr. Mathew was a fine and caring gentlemen and scholar. During the last year of his life he sought to pass on his Knowledge to the future generation of scientists by writing a book on gene transport through plants, despite the many limitations he faced. I will miss him dearly. May he rest in peace.
Srinivasan Kasturi.

Srinivasan Kasturi - July 06, 2020 at 11:48 PM



“ Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Dr. Zachariah Mathew.



July 06, 2020 at 03:51 PM



“ Serene Green™ Bouquet For Sympathy was purchased for the family of Dr. Zachariah Mathew.



July 06, 2020 at 01:45 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Zachariah Mathew.



July 06, 2020 at 10:52 AM

SS

“ *Matthew kutty uncle will always be a part of mine and Sandys childhood.
I remember how every weekend either we were at your place or you were at ours.
I am glad we were able to meet him two years back when he was hail and hearty. Will always remember him like that .
Our condolences to all you on behalf of Mom and all of us hear .
Rest in peace uncle . Dad is definitely waiting for you up there. Love you and will miss you.*

shaila sam - July 05, 2020 at 11:45 PM

SV

Remembering times spent with kunjatten uncle and family in Delhi

Susy Giji Varghese - July 06, 2020 at 03:49 PM

RM

*Mathew uncle was the real incarnation of true love, positivity and empathy. He was very affectionate with me and my family.
We pray God granting eternal peace to his departed soul.*

Best regards to Thankam aunty and all family members

Rajan Mookken - July 08, 2020 at 01:04 AM

SS

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



shaila sam - July 05, 2020 at 11:40 PM

SF

“ Simon Zachariah & family purchased the White Standing Spray for the family of Dr. Zachariah Mathew.



Simon Zachariah & family - July 05, 2020 at 12:59 PM



“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



Allen Funeral Home and Crematory - July 05, 2020 at 09:10 AM

DC

May his Soul Rest In Peace

Devassy Chakiat - July 06, 2020 at 01:48 AM