



Don Stephenson

February 27, 2011

Stephenson, Don L. 81, passed away January 5, 2011, at the Mayo Hospital in Jacksonville, FL. Mr. Stephenson was raised in Perryton Texas he was preceded in death by parents, Harold and Ella Stephenson and brother William Howard Stephenson. He received a B.S. in Engineering from Texas Tech University, he served four years in the Navy in the Asian theater during the Korean War. He was a pioneer in the emergent world of computing with emphasis on storage technology. He held senior positions with both IBM and Xerox, including a stint as the General Manager of IBM's Rochester, MN facility and as a Director of Rank- Xerox stationed in London, United Kingdom. Mr. Stephenson married Mary Lee Foley Healy in 1983 and in 1991 they moved to Minneapolis, MN where they still maintain a home. They established a second home in Femandina Beach, FL in 2006. Along with Mary Lee, Don is survived by former wife Diane Stephenson of Niceville, FL; his three sons, Clay Stephenson of Atlanta, GA (Diane), Scott Stephenson of Atlanta (Beth), Stuart Stephenson of Dallas (Tammy), and his three step-children, Colleen Upton (Paul), Kevin Healy (Diane), Michael Healy (Julie), all of Minneapolis, MN; and thirteen grandchildren; along with his sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Johnelle and Gary Snyder of Amelia Island, FL. Don was active in Rotary Club #9 of Minneapolis and The Rotary Club of Femandina Beach, FL. He supported a large number of not-for-profit organizations. He was an avid world traveler, cyclist and tennis player. The family invites you to join them at Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapel in Edina, MN. on March 18th, 2011

Friends will gather at 9 AM and remarks celebrating Don's life will begin at 10 AM. A private interment will follow at 2 PM at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to The Don Stephenson Prize. A scholarship given annually to a rising Texas Tech senior who, by studying engineering and participation in ROTC, demonstrated Don's love of technology and country. Contributors may make checks out to Texas Tech Foundation, memo line should read Don L. Stephenson Foundation, and sent to Texas Tech University, Whitacre College of Engineering, Attn: Scott Self, Box 43103, Lubbock, TX. 79409 Please share his life story and leave condolences at www.oxleyheard.com OXLEY-HEARD FUNERAL DIRECTORS