



## Donald Everett Nooleen

July 23, 1921 - August 12, 2021

Nooleen, Donald Everett of Edina, MN, passed away peacefully at his home on August 12, 2021. Don was 100 years old. His wife, Donna Ketcher Nooleen was at his side. Don lived a full and happy life. He graduated from Minneapolis Central High School in 1939 and from the University of Minnesota in 1947. Don was a member of the Alpha Kappa Psi Fraternity. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1942 and trained as a Naval Aviator at the U.S. Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Florida in 1943, and served in WWII and Korea. Don retired from the Navy with rank of Commander. Don worked for Sears Roebuck for 40 years, as a Control Buyer and Merchandise Manager, until he retired in December 1986. He met the love of his life when he saw Donna at Sears on her first day of work. They celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary in June. The couple were members of Mount Olivet Lutheran Church, Don started golfing as a boy when his father made him his first golf club. He was a member of the U.S. Navy Golf Team, and a member of Braemar Men's Golf Club since it was founded in 1965. He was happy to talk about the two "holes-in-one" that he made! Friends and family meant everything to Don. He will be sincerely missed by his wife, Donna, and his three daughters - Diane Nooleen Reader (Doug), Debra Nooleen Corwin (Clint), and Denise Nooleen Kraemer, Gary Kraemer, and their grandchildren and great-grandchildren. All of his family came together to celebrate his 100th Birthday just two weeks prior. They will all be together again sharing a private memorial service and funeral. Don will be buried next to his parents, Harry and Naomi Nooleen, at

Lakewood Cemetery in Minneapolis. Family sincerely thanks all amazing caregivers and hospice staff that supported him and allowed him to be at home during the last months. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in memory of Donald E Nooleen to: Mount Olivet Lutheran Church, 5025 Knox Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55419 or a charity of donor's choice.  
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