



Donald Oscar Olson

July 2, 2017

Olson, Donald Oscar died July 2, 2017 of apparent cardiac arrest. He graduated from St. Louis Park High School in 1943, served 3 years in the US Army, graduated from the U of M with a Mechanical Engineering Degree in 1951, married April 19, 1952. Worked for a variety of companies including Graco, 3M, U of M, Cities Service, Gulf and Texaco. He lived in the same house in Edina for 43 years. Spent 20 years in retirement in Winter Haven, Florida. He had been living at the Valley View coop in Eden Prairie for the past 17 years and the last 12 weeks at Boutwell's Landing in Stillwater, MN. Some of his favorite things to do: driving his car, going to McDonald's for a drive-thru hamburger, spending time at his cabin at Mission Lake, riding his 3 wheeled Honda ATV, putting nickels in his slot machine, could fix just about anything, and always having a project to do. He served in the US Army in WWII, and was wounded in combat in France on March 15, 1944. It would be one of the most memorable days of his life, although he didn't want to talk about it. He was preceded in death by his wife (Katherine Ann Coddington Olson) of 49+ years, and is survived by his 4 children & their spouses, 11 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren: Nancy & Craig Schmidt (Tiffany & Kurt Goedjen & 2 children, Erik & Molly Schmidt), Mark & Lugene (Ben, Kadie & Matt), Mike & LuAnn (Tyler & Lauren), Tom Olson (Henry, Sadie, Jasper & Chandler). A private service was held. Memorials to the MN WWII HONOR flights: 2674 Mackubin St, Roseville, MN 55113 Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996