



Edward S. "Ed" Hagerty

May 22, 2013

Ed Hagerty, Prominent Minneapolis Attorney, World War II Combat Veteran

The defining moment in Ed Hagerty's life came on gray October morning in October 1944. The 19-year-old Minneapolis man was a sailor aboard the U.S.S. Gambier Bay, an aircraft carrier assigned to the American invasion of the Philippines. Through a series of miscommunication among top admirals, the ship unexpectedly found itself facing the full weight of the Japanese battle fleet. After a valiant fight, the ship was sunk. Hagerty and fellow survivors found themselves swimming in shark-infested waters for more than 48 hours without fresh water before rescue.

On May 22, 2013, Ed Hagerty died of leukemia at the age of 88.

Hagerty was a prominent Minneapolis attorney, founding partner of Hagerty & Candell, a strong advocate for military veterans, and later in life, one of the prime movers behind the U.S. Military Tribute to Bob Hope in San Diego. Born in Mankato on January 10, 1925, Hagerty originally studied for the priesthood. After enlisting in the Navy and serving in the invasions of Saipan and the Philippines and the Battle of Leyte Gulf, he returned home, earned a law degree from University of Notre Dame, and set up a Minneapolis law practice.

He married Margaret Sweetser on December 27, 1958. In more than 54 years of marriage, the couple had six children. They settled in Edina and were longtime members of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Parrish. Hagerty was an

active member of the American Legion and many civic organizations.

Ed Hagerty is survived by his wife Margaret, children Bridget Hagerty of Rhinelander, WI, John Hagerty of Richmond, VA, Ann Hagerty Hicks of Eden Prairie, Catherine Kirchner of Edina, Nora Hagerty of Park City, UT, Michael Hagerty of Plymouth and eleven grandchildren.

Visitation 5-7 PM Monday, May 27 at Washburn- McReavy Edina Chapel.

Mass of Christian Burial 11 AM Tuesday, May 28 at the Church of our Lady of Grace, 5071 Eden Ave., Edina, MN with visitation one hour before service.

Interment St. Mary's Cemetery. www.Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel
952-920-3996 West 50th St. & Hwy 100

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436
(952) 920-3996
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Visitation

MAY 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady of Grace
5071 Eden Avenue
Edina, MN 55436

Service

MAY 28. 11:00 AM (CT)

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5071 Eden Avenue
Edina, MN 55436

Tribute Wall



“ *Rose Remembrance* was purchased for the family of Edward S. "Ed" Hagerty.



May 25, 2013 at 04:52 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Edward S. "Ed" Hagerty.



May 23, 2013 at 04:33 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket* was purchased for the family of Edward S. "Ed" Hagerty.



May 23, 2013 at 03:07 PM