



## Jaye Dyer

June 10, 2009

Dyer, Jaye F. age 82, of Wayzata, MN and Naples, FL, passed away at home surrounded by friends and family. Preceded in death by mother, Thelma (Trimble); father, Jesse Floyd; and beloved wife, Betty. Survived by son, Michael (Jill); daughters, Jan Dyer and Karen (Steve) Howells; grandchildren, Joseph, Megan, Erica and Jessica; and sister, Doris Homer. He was born in Moore, Oklahoma. He served in the United States Navy from 1945 to 1946. He married Betty on August 28, 1948. He graduated from Oklahoma University in 1951 with a degree in geology. This started a career in the oil and gas industry that spanned six decades. He formed Dyco Petroleum Corporation in 1971 and was a pioneer in the oil and gas program business. Dyco went public in 1976 and was listed on the New York Stock Exchange in 1981. He was a highly respected business leader and philanthropist having served on numerous boards including Piper Jaffrey Investment Trust, the NWNL companies, Gelco Corporation and Diversified Energy, Inc., and as founder and chairman of the Jaye F. & Betty F. Dyer Foundation. He was elected to the Minnesota Business Hall of Fame in 1986. His successful business career allowed him to indulge a great love for football as a co-owner and managing partner of the Minnesota Vikings. He was an avid hunter, fisherman, tennis player and golfer, and was able to get in one last round 4 days before his passing. He had a gift with people and touched the lives of countless. He will be deeply missed by friends and family. Memorial service 1 PM Thursday, June 11 at Wayzata Community Church, 125 Wayzata Blvd. E.,

Wayzata MN 55391. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the Jaye F. & Betty F. Dyer Foundation, 4670 Wells Fargo Center, 90 S. Sixth Street, Minneapolis, MN 55402. Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel 952-920-3996