



Joseph Pagani

March 29, 2009

Pagani, Joseph E. age 89, of Edina, died February 2, 2009, from complications of melanoma. Survived by wife Lorraine; daughter, Terry Pagani Westerman (Mark) of Atlanta, GA; grandson, Matthew Westerman; granddaughter, Stephanie Westerman; sister, Grace Roepke; niece, Mary Dietrich (David); nephew, Don Roepke (Kay); also cousins, nephews, nieces and close friends. Born in Duluth, Joe and his family moved to Minneapolis in the mid 1930s and he graduated from West High School. Joe later attended Yale University and the University of Minnesota where he graduated with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. Retired from the United States Air Force after 30 years as a Lt. Colonel, Joe spent most of WWII in Central and South America and especially enjoyed time spent in Panama and Cuba. Professionally, Joe worked for the Corp of Engineers in Omaha, NE on Missouri River projects. Joe was also a longtime Honeywell employee at several locations in the Minneapolis area. He contributed to the Apollo program/Lunar Lander and the MK-46 Torpedo program. After retirement Joe and Lorraine traveled the world including trips to Europe, Asia and Australia. Joe loved the outdoors, especially hunting and fishing with family and friends. Joe was also a member of the Edina Lions for many years where he enjoyed interacting with the local community and with many close Lion friends. Please, in lieu of flowers donations may be made to the University of Minnesota Cancer Center, c/o Minnesota Medical Foundation, PO Box 64001, St. Paul, MN 55164. Please identify memorials for Jennifer Edgar. Jennifer was a

cherished niece of Joe's and these donations will be specifically allocated to the Cancer Center's breast cancer research program. Interment 11:30 AM, Monday April 6 at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Please meet at Assembly Area #2 by 11:15 AM. Memorial service 11:00 AM, Saturday, April 4 at: Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel 952-920-3996 West 50th St. & Hwy 100