



Norman Norm Skinner

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Skinner, Norman W. Norm, age 85, of Shorewood. Beloved husband, father & grandfather, passed away Jan. 3, 2010, surrounded by his family. He was born on Easter Day, April 20, 1924 to Arthur and Jennie Hardy Skinner in Fall River, Massachusetts. Survived by Nancy, loving wife of 48 years; sons, Nelson (Yoko), George (Anne), Mike, Steve (Sue) and daughters, Anne (Wade Smith), Julie (Pete Hogan) and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by his parents and first wife, Norma Nelson Skinner. Norm served in the US Army in WWII. He participated in major battles, including D-Day, Battle of the Bulge and the Crossing of the Rhine. He attended Clemson University (BSEE) and University of Virginia (MSEE). Afterwards he was one of the founding fathers of the American computer industry; he worked as a research scientist at NASA, he was an executive at Burroughs and a Sr. Group VP for Control Data managing plants in the US, Canada, Europe and Israel. He enjoyed sailboat racing, showing collies, music and reading history. Norm was a Tau Beta Pi, Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Eta Sigma member, as well as IEEE, National Academy of Science and many other professional organizations. He was active in the community and a member and former deacon at the Congregational Church of Excelsior. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to American Cancer Society c/o Steve Skinner, 2520 Pilot Knob #150, Mendota Heights, MN 55120, the Congregational Church of Excelsior, or the Animal Humane Society. Washburn-McReavy Eden Prairie Chapel 952-975-0400