



Robert Upton

May 23, 2010

Upton, Robert L. 98, of Pine City, formerly of Minneapolis, MN, died May 16. Born July 28, 1911 to George L. and Laura Skinner Upton, (affiliated with the Upton Flour Mill on Nicollet Island) and spent his early childhood on the Upton Ranches near Geysler, MT. The Upton's returned to Mpls when Bob entered 2nd grade. Bob graduated from U High in 1930 & graduated from the University of Minnesota, School of Agriculture where he was an active member of ATO fraternity. As an agronomist for Great Western Sugar Co, for 20 years Bob managed territories in Montana & Colorado and later worked with Malting Barley Improvement Assn. He returned to the mid-west as a project manager for Plastronics, Milwaukee, WI before returning to Mpls. He married his high school sweetheart, Jeannette Thomas (Dolly) and was devoted to her care through out their 56 years together. He loved music, dancing, cards and the challenge of "fixing things". Following the death of Jeannette, he married Edna Spaulding of Pine City, a longtime family friend, and enjoyed another 10 years on the shores of Lake Pokegama, Pine City. He has been a resident of Lakeside Medical Center since 2001. He is survived by a son, G. Thomas (Donna) Upton, Greeley, CO; daughter, Jeannette Upton Porter, Edina, MN; grandchildren, Steve (Peggy) Porter, Edina, MN, Fritz Porter, Mpls, Susan (Bill) Powell, Edina, Sandi (Jesse) Melendez, Greeley, CO, Robert Upton, Butte, MT, Robyn Upton, Greeley, CO, and David Upton, Greeley, CO; great- grandchildren, Zachary, Andrew, and Chuy Melendez, Greeley, CO; Andrew, Abbie and Isabelle Porter, Edina; Chase and Kira

Powell, Edina. Those who knew him loved him for his devotion to Jeannette and later Edna, his energy, gentleness, willingness to help friends in need, loyalty, and his excitement over a game of golf or skiing the mountains of CO. Private Memorial service. Interment Forest Hill Cemetery, Madison, WI. Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel 952-920-3996