



## Wilton R. "Bill" Syverson

December 24, 2013

Syverson, Wilton R. "Bill" Passed away on December 24, 2013; 3 days before his 95th birthday and about 3 months before his 70th wedding anniversary with his wife Elsie. Bill was born and raised on the family farm near Glenwood, MN. He joined the military in 1941, and at a dance during his basic training at Fort Mead in the Black Hills of SD, he met Elsie Lae, a South Dakota-born school teacher. He attended flight school, became a B-17 pilot, and flew 53 missions during World War II. He and Elsie were married in 1944. After the war, Elsie and Bill settled in south Minneapolis where Bill attended Dunwoody Technical Institute and became a Journeyman Sheet Metal Craftsman. He worked at Midwest Sheet Metal in St. Paul until his retirement. Their son Tim was born in 1958 and the family moved to Minnetonka in the 1960s. Bill enjoyed golf, bowling, hunting, and working on his home/yard. Elsie and Bill lived at their home in Minnetonka until Feb. 2012 when they moved to The Glenn senior living community. Bill is survived by his wife Elsie of Minnetonka, and son Tim of Seattle. Bill was a kind, gentle man, and a wonderful husband and father; we love you Dad. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Bill's name are preferred. Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday, Dec. 28 at 11 AM with visitation one hour prior to the service at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 13505 Excelsior Blvd., Minnetonka. Private family interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. [www.Washburn-McReavy.com](http://www.Washburn-McReavy.com) Strobeck Johnson Chapel 952 938-9020