



Harold W. Huckestein

May 17, 1926 - June 14, 2016

Peacefully, in his sleep, Harold W. Huckestein, 90, of North Hills, passed away June 14, 2016. Survived by his beloved wife of 69 years Doris M. (Marsh) Huckestein, his brother James E. (Blanche) Huckestein, nieces Susan Schaffner of Chesapeake, VA, Kimberly (Gerry) Charney; nephews James E. (Babs) Huckestein, Jr., Steven C. Schaffner and many grandnieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Elsie Frazee Huckestein, sister Audrey Schaffner and his niece Lynn (Mike) Connolly.

Harold graduated from Perry High School in February of 1944 at the age of 17 and immediately enlisted in the U.S. Navy—his first step toward a lifetime of public service. He participated in the D-Day invasion aboard LST 316 shortly after his 18th birthday. Harold was very proud of his service to our country and kept many mementos, most of which he donated to the Heinz History Museum along with his written account of his first-hand experiences of wartime service: “Normandy and the Cross Channel Attack – June 6 1944”.

Coming home after his service in WWII, he attended college via the GI bill at Duquesne University where he obtained his Bachelor Degree in Education. He later obtained his Masters Degree in Planning at the University of Pittsburgh.

His first Public Service job was with the Pittsburgh Housing Authority, followed

by Allegheny County Planning & Works Departments, Manager at Ross Township and finally retiring from Franklin Park Township as Manager.

He was an avid reader of history, crafted and shot black powder weapons, and enjoyed camping, travel and sailing with Doris. He was a Mason and belonged to the Syria Temple of the Shrine.

Harold's "Big Words" and robust articulate arguments will be missed by his family and friends.

Friends received 10 am Friday June 24, at Simons Funeral Home, Inc. 7720 Perry Highway where a memorial service will be held at 11 am.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Simons Funeral Home, Inc.
7720 Perry Highway
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Memorial Service

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