



Herbert Powers

December 31, 1969 - January 29, 2011

Obituary of Herbert Powers Herbert Wesley Powers was born in Pukwana, South Dakota. He was the oldest son of Dale and Hazel Powers. His younger brother Neil now lives in California and his sister Wanda in Minnesota. Growing up in Pukwana meant working in the only store in town, The Powers General Store. It also meant being class President and Captain of the football and basketball teams. In 1939 he joined the Navy and was sent to Hawaii. He served on the Tender USS Melville which convoyed approximately 60 ships across the Atlantic. In 1942, he was assigned as Administrative Assistant to the Admiral Commander of the Destroyer Fleet. He was selected for the V12 program and assigned to Holy Cross College where he was chosen Commander of the 620 men and also the President of his class. Most importantly, this was where he met his wife, Margaret. At the close of the war, he had obtained the rank of Ensign, and along with five others was selected for a post in Germany. He chose to return Pukwana to help his father. He and Margaret were married in 1946. Their first child was still born. They moved to Nebraska and adopted their daughter in 1950. He worked for the Boy Scouts, Carnation Milk and Norwich Pharmaceuticals. He was always on the road and working long hours; but he always found the time to be a devoted husband and a wonderful father. His third love was golf which he immersed himself in once they moved to Rolling Greens in Florida. Herb was a Rolling Greens Association Past President and worked with the Golf Association for 25 years. He was also a member of the VFW and Fort King Presbyterian Church where

he helped out whenever needed. He spent his final years living with his daughter, teaching her patience and humility and teaching his grandchildren golf and loving watching them play. Herbert Wesley Powers is survived by his daughter Jennifer and her daughters Kathryn and Angela and his brother Neil and sister Wanda. He will be missed.

Tribute Wall

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“ *The staff of Roberts Funeral Homes and I would like to offer our condolences to your entire family during this difficult time.* ”

Michael Csuka - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM