



Wendel Nickerson

September 21, 1924 - August 3, 2016

Wendel A. Nickerson, 91 of NW 50th Circle, Ocala, died August 3rd, 2016 following a period of illness. He was born September 21st, 1924 in Rochester, N.H. to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Nickerson. He graduated from Spaulding High School, Rochester, NH Class of 1942. Wendel served in the Army Air Corps as a waist gunner on a B24 aircraft during WWII, after which he completed his Bachelor of Science degree at Keene State College, Keene, NH and his Master's degree from the University of Maine, Gorham, Maine. He married Leone Richards Nickerson, his wife of 45 years, who predeceased him in 1990. He was a career High School Teacher of Vocational Building Construction in Dover, NH until his retirement in 1984. He was a cabinet shop foreman, DiPrizio Lumber Company, Middleton, NH for ten years thereafter. Additionally, he was self employed as an industrial wood worker, cabinet-maker and sign painter. He regularly attended the United Methodist Church of Rochester, and served as a trustee for a number of years. In later years, he became a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church, both in NH and Florida and continued serving in a variety of Church positions including Elder, Deacon, Bible Study Teacher, Community Service and Family Life Co-Director. His leisure time was spent building layouts and operating model railroads; playing a number of musical instruments, his favorite being the Baritone Horn/Euphonium; and fabricating a wide variety of woodworking projects for family, friends and his church. He is survived by his second wife of over twenty-four years, Vivienne L. Austin-Nickerson. His three sons, Stephen

(now deceased), Thomas and Daniel and their respective wives, reside in Cortlandt Manor, NY and in Rochester NH. His six grandchildren, Amy Meredith, Beth, Katrina, Christopher and John currently live in the States of NJ and NH. There are eight great-grandchildren. He is also survived one step-son Richard A. Austin of Rochester, NH and his spouse, Vickie. Also, surviving is his step son-in-law, Doug Keesling of Lakeland, Florida. He has three step grandchildren, Andrea, Sarah and Stormie and seven step great-grandchildren. There will be no viewing, calling hours or services. Interment will be at the Franklin Street Cemetery in Rochester, NH. Arrangements are under the care of Roberts Funeral Homes, Ocala, Florida and the Edgerly Funeral Home in Rochester, NH