



Mr. Charles Victor Klepac II

October 5, 1922 - July 16, 2012

Charles Victor Klepac II, 89, of Traverse City passed away Monday, July 16, 2012 at Bortz Health Care in Traverse City.

Charles was born on Thursday, October 05, 1922. to the late Charles and Mary (Chamberlin) Klepac I, in Traverse City, Michigan. He was a graduate of Traverse City High School and was the host of many high school reunions.

Charles served our country as a member of the U. S. Navy during WW II and Korea. He was discharged at the rank of First Lieutenant and was a member of the American Legion. A civil engineer, he had worked in road construction for many years and had also taught at Ferris State University for a year. Charles enjoyed golfing and walking, working Sudoku, listening to all kinds of music, and wood working, being a carver of many golf figures.

Charles married Dolores Sladek on Monday, September 2, 1946 in Traverse City. She preceded him in death October 26, 1989. They had five children and many happy years together.

After Dolores' death Charles met Onahlee Crawford and was blessed to spend 22 years together with her.

Survivors include his children, Michael and Cecilia (Bensen) Klepac of Portland, MI, Jane Klepac of Clarksville, TN, Mary Klepac and Charles V. Klepac III, both of Holt; a daughter in law Carolyn Klepac of Traverse City, 12 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren; his sister Beverly Yankee of Traverse City, and sister in law Shirley Klepac. Also surviving is his special friend, Onalee Crawford of Traverse City. Charles was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, a son, David, and a brother, Robert.

Interment will take place at 2:00 p.m. Friday, August 24 at the Peninsula Township Cemetery. Family and friends will take time to share memories of Charles at the The Park Place Hotel from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Friday, August 24th.

Please share your memories of Charles with his family by way of his online guest book at www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com.

The family is being served by the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Cemetery

Events

Peninsula Township Cemetery
Seven Hills Road
Traverse City, MI, 49686

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Graveside Service

02:00PM

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Sharing Time 04:00PM - 06:00PM

Park Place Hotel
300 E. State Street, Traverse City, MI, US

Comments



“ Uncle Chuck was probably my favorite uncle. I loved visiting him, Auntie Dee, and my five cousins. Many happy days spent with his daughter, Janie.

Karen Hendrix - February 26, 2018 at 05:28 PM



“ There are many "nice guys" and fine people, but once in a while you run into a man whom you can call a prince of a person. Having played golf with Charlie many times I would definitely place him in that exalted category. Condolences to all his family who were able to share life with him.

Gerald Battle

Gerald G. Battle - August 22, 2012 at 12:15 PM



“ My husband Charles E Leake and Charles Klepac were on board the USS Albert T. Harris Together. Dolores and I were very good friends, and I often took care of their children while Dolores had to run errands. I can honestly say that I loved Charles Klepac more than any other male friend we ever had in the navy, and after. We moved to Traverse City on his recommendation and we saw him a few times before my husband died. I draw comfort in the thought that Charles Leake, Klepac, Gehr, Kirby and all the other men who were on the Harris are now together retelling their own versions of serving on the Harris. We both loved to do the Crossword Puzzles and play Hearts on our computers. I saw very little of Charlie but I did see him in May and it was as usual, a great pleasure. Corky and I are good friends, and I shall call on her and be her advocate in anything which she might need. I will keep all of you in my thoughts as I think about the wonderful person whom you call dad... sis leake

Cecilia - August 24, 2012 at 10:16 AM