



Edward Millard Seabrook

March 23, 1916 - March 4, 2013

Edward M. Seabrook, 96, of Traverse City, a member of the Greatest Generation, was called back to active duty on Monday, March 4, 2013 at Boardman Lake Glens-Brigadoon in Traverse City.

Ed was born on Thursday, March 23, 1916 to the late Fred and Lura (Millard) Seabrook in Traverse City. On Thursday, March 21, 1946, in Traverfse City, he married the former Thelma E. Beardsley.

Proudly serving our country as a Seabee in the United States Navy, Ed was stationed in both the Pacific and Alaska during WW II. When he returned from the service, he began his career in construction with Koenig Construction Company and was employed there for 36 years, holding varied positions. He then founded Seabrook Construction Company which he operated until his retirement in 1982.

Ed served the Traverse City community in many ways. He had been a member of the Grand Traverse County Board of Supervisors beginning in 1969 and served as chariman of the County Board of Commissioners for 4 years. While chairman of the Buildings and Grounds committee, the new county jail came into being. He was also active on the Medical Care Facility Board, the EDD Board, was a 4-H representative as well as chairman of the Cherryland Airport Commission. He was instrumental in the formation of the Regional Planning Commission, served with American Legion Junior League Baseball and was a member of the Bowen-Halliday American Legion Post #35. Ed was a member of Masonic Lodge 222 where he was a 32nd degree Mason and had served as Master of the Lodge, as well as serving on the building committee. He was a member of the Eagles #383 and First Congregational Church. In his leisure time, Ed bowled in a league for many years, had a deer hunting camp in the UP, was an avid fisherman, having his own fishing boat, had several hunting dogs as he hunted pheasant and woodcock and was also in a golf league.

Ed is survived by his children, David Seabrook and Lynn Ann (Peter) Bossardet, a great

niece and nephew, Mechelle and Chuck Helmka and Russell Robertson. He was preceded in death by his wife Thelma on November 29, 2011; by his parents and sister, Maxine and her husband Chester Johnson and a niece Judith Johnson Robertson. Also surviving are his dear friends Bill and Bonnie King, Janet and Ben Risky and Leonard Roush. The Seabrook's would like to thank the staff at Boardman Lake Glens - Brigadoon, the seventh floor heart unit staff at Munson Medical Center and Hospice of Michigan for the excellent care they provided Ed.

A graveside service honoring both Ed and Thelma will be held in May at Oakwood Cemetery. The date and time will be announced later. The family suggests that memorial contributions be directed to First Congregational Church.

Please share your thoughts and memories of Ed by way of his online guestbook at www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com.

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

Cemetery

Oakwood Cemetery

1325 East Eighth Street

Traverse City, MI, 49686