



Donald Newnam Harper

July 9, 2006

Donald Newnam Harper of Easton, MD, died at the William Hill Manor in Easton on Sunday, July 9, 2006. He was 103.

Born on March 23, 1903, at the Pasadena (now “the Oaks”) in Royal Oak, he was the son of the late Frederick and Florence Newnam Harper. After attending public school in Royal Oak and Easton, he attended Yale University, graduating in 1925. He then worked for the City of Miami, FL; then the New York Central Rail Road, the NJ Bell Telephone Co., and finally the federal government (CAA). He spent the war years citing airports in small towns throughout the Pacific Northwest preparing them for use in the defense of the U.S. should it become necessary. Mr. Harper retired in 1965, and returned to his beloved Royal Oak in 1966. His wife, the former Ida Marie Wold, died in November 2003.

Mr. Harper is survived by a daughter, Marilyn “Lynn” Ginther of Seattle, WA; a daughter-in-law, Kathy Leeds Smith; one granddaughter, Katie Marie Smith (who is a graduate of Princeton University of which Mr. Harper was most proud) both of New Jersey; and one grandson, Michael Smith who is in the U.S. Coast Guard. In addition to his wife, he was pre-deceased by a son, Donald G. Smith; and five siblings, Freda Scheer, Paul Harper, Pauline Valliant, Douglas Harper and William Harper.

A memorial service will be held at 10:00AM on Thursday, July 13, 2006, at the Royal Oak Community United Methodist Church..

Burial will be private.

Donations may be made to the Royal Oak Community United Methodist Church, Royal Oak, MD 21662.

Tribute Wall



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