



Dudley Arnold

February 3, 1919 - December 17, 2009

Dudley Edward Arnold passed away Thursday, December 17th, 2009 at Bloomington Hospital at the age of 90. Dudley was born in Detroit, Michigan on February 3, 1919 to Roy and Dorothy Arnold. He graduated from the University of Michigan School of Engineering where he played college football for the Wolverines. During World War II, Dudley along with his brother Richard joined the navy where Dudley commanded a PT boat in the South Pacific and at the war's end, served as navigator aboard the destroyer USS Callisto on its voyage home from Japan. After his tour of service, Dudley resumed work for Chrysler Corporation as a mechanical engineer and married Esther, widow of a slain Detroit police officer and adopted her daughter Kathleen. Together Esther and Dudley raised two sons in addition to Kathleen, Chris Roy Arnold and Robert Dudley Arnold.

A lifelong athlete and avid golfer Dudley moved to Indiana in 1980 when he retired from his position of Director of Quality Assurance at American Motors.

Dudley passed way on the fifty-fourth anniversary of his wedding to Esther. He is survived by Esther, Kathleen, Chris, and Robert, four grandchildren, Jenica, Amber, Caryl, and Ian and three great-grandchildren, Austin, Justin, and William.

Dudley lived a life well spent and he will be missed.

Allen Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to a charity of ones choice

Tribute Wall

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“ *As lomg time bowlers with Esther and Dudley in the Sunday night league, we sure will miss your Dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of his family. Many blessings to all at this special time of the year. A special hug to Esther.*

Meryl and Janice Moyer - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

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“ *Dear Chris and Rob,*

Kim and I would like to extend our condolences on the loss of your father Dudley. I know personally how difficult this time must be for the two of you as I just lost my mom earlier this year and my dad a couple of years ago. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Although I don't recall having ever met your father in person, I did have occasion to speak with him on the phone and he seemed like a very nice guy. I wasn't aware that he played football at U of M. How cool is that? Incidentally, anyone that was an avid golfer had to be alright in my humble opinion ;-)

I know you will miss him very much but he sure lived a long and apparently very respectable life. May God bless you and your family during this trying time and always.

Fred and Kim Aker

Fred Aker - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM