



Lindsey Fredrick Welles

October 5, 1923 - May 23, 2015

Obituary of Lindsey Welles

Lindsey Frederick "Fred" Welles, Jr. passed away May 23, 2015 at the age of 91 at his home at the Sumter Place in The Villages, Florida. Fred was a devoted husband and father, and a good friend to many. He always had a friendly smile was always willing to be of help whenever he was needed.

Fred is survived by wife Mary Yvonne, sons Lindsey, III of Leesburg, Fl, Thomas and Robert both of Michigan, daughters-in-law Lynda, Sue and Jolene, grandchildren Beth, Margaret, John and Josh, and four great grandchildren. He is predeceased by son Jack.

Born in Detroit, Michigan on October 5, 1923, Fred grew up in Detroit, where he worked in his family's Tool and Engineering Shop during high school. He enlisted in the United States Navy during World War II and spent his naval years based in the Navy's Torpedo Shop in Norfolk, Virginia.

In 1945 he married his sweetheart Yvonne on June 23. They would have celebrated their 70th Wedding Anniversary this June. After his discharge from the Navy, Fred and Yvonne settled in the Detroit area where they raised their four sons. Fred returned to the family business, eventually taking the leadership of Welles Tool and Engineering Shop after his Father's retirement.

Fred and Yvonne were avid sailors and after he sold his business they spent many years aboard their yacht. They actually lived aboard for several years while sailing the Atlantic coast. The couple eventually settled on land in Key Largo, Florida, then moved to Jupiter Island, and finally to The Villages. They settled in Bridgeport at Lake Miona.

Viewing for family and friends will take place on Wednesday, May 27 at 10 am at Beyer's Funeral Home and Crematory, 1116 Main Street, Leesburg, FL. The service will follow at 11 am. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Wounded Warriors Project.

Tribute Wall

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“ Fred was a terrific guy and good friend who had the warmest smile and most positive attitude regardless of what life brought. We first met he and Yvonne when they lived in Bridgeport. Fred and thier dog Peaches would drive around in his golf cart and greet everyone in the village. He made friends with everyone he came into contact with. Fred always had a broad smile on his face and a story to tell. Our son lives in Michigan so we had mutual ties to the state that always fostered conversation. Several years ago, we took care of Peaches during one of Freds hospitalizations which made us much closer to he and Yvonne. Fred was a true gentlemen and will leave a lasting memory as someone we really loved and are blessed to have known.

Dwight and Cindy Olson - May 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM



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May 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM