



Richard Wolcott

November 28, 1916 - June 15, 2012

Obituary of Richard Wolcott

Richard Hastings Wolcott was born in Mansfield Ohio on Nov. 28, 1916. He passed away peacefully June 15, 2012 after a brief illness. An Eagle Scout, he enjoyed the outdoors and pursued many interests. He graduated from Ohio State University in 1939 with a degree in Petroleum Engineering. He was a member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists, Sigma Gamma Epsilon, (mining fraternity), and Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

After college he moved to Michigan and was involved in the exploration and development of oil & gas. After several years of employment he opened an office and practiced as a consulting geologist and production engineer in Mt.Pleasant.

In 1965 the family relocated to Ft. Lauderdale. He acquired a real estate broker's license, and was active in sales until 1970 when the family moved to Venice, FL. He joined the Sarasota County Environmental Control Department and County Health Department where he was engaged in regulating the water well drilling industry for the county. In 1972, he built a home on Little Sarasota Bay in Osprey, FL.

In 1983 he and his wife Elizabeth moved to Leesburg. As a member of St.

Paul Catholic Church, he was a Special Minister of the Eucharist, Lector, Sacristan, and with his wife taught scripture classes. He was a board member of Shelter Project Hope for 30 years, and Treasurer at the time of his death.

He received the Fr. Philip J. Stegman Memorial Volunteer Award in 1999, and was given the Fr. William Killion Memorial Volunteer Award for 2009 by the Diocese of Orlando. He volunteered at Leesburg Regional Medical Center for over twenty years. He cherished his Catholic faith, and often noted his gratitude to God for the "Three F's " Faith, Family and Friends." His life reflected his humble, steadfast devotion to his faith.

He was preceded in death by his wife Elizabeth in 2004, after 63 years of loving marriage. He is survived by sons Jed of Ft. Lauderdale, Peter (Linda) of San Diego, CA, and daughter Mary (Tim) Cotter of Greenville, S.C., five grandchildren, and three great grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 6:00 " 8:00 PM Tues. June 19 at Beyers Funeral Home in Leesburg. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 AM Wed. at St. Paul's Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the St. Paul's Ministry of the Sick, 1321 Sunshine Avenue, Leesburg, FL 34748-6354.

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Memorial Donations

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Tribute Wall

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“ Dick was a gentleman, a gentle man, and a Faithful Servant. We were pleased to know and minister with him. Dick, we know God was smiling the day you returned to him! With prayers for the family you leave behind. Sincerely and prayerfully, Judy & Don Zollner

Judy & Don Zollner - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Thank you Pop for being the best father-in-law anyone could ever have. Jed, Mary, and Peter had the best father and they learned well from him.

Linda Wolcott - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



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