



FORREST WARD MELCHING

December 11, 1921 - June 20, 2015

Forrest "Ward" Melching

Ward passed away on June 20, 2015 just 18 days after his wonderful Bride of 72 years had passed in Grass Valley, California.

He was born on December 11, 1921 to parents August and Rose Melching, in Chicago, IL,

Ward graduated from Alexander Hamilton High School in 1940 He joined the United States Navy in 1942, serving in Los Alamitos NAS, Eniwetok Island, and Guam Island and honorably discharged in 1945. He married "Jean" Melching in 1943 in Southern California where he then attend UCLA from 1946-1949, receiving a Bachelor's Degree in Physics. Ward worked for the Texas Company, Douglas Aircraft and the Aerospace Corp. in El Segundo CA as an Engineer.

He lived in Redondo Beach CA for 37 where he enjoyed sailing, bicycling, bowling and most of all family gatherings. After retirement he and his family then moved to Lake Wildwood in 1988 where he continued to enjoy his hobbies up until a week prior to his passing.

Ward is survived by his son Carl Melching of Grass Valley, CA, Daughter Patti Ryan of Penn Valley, CA, and Son Paul Melching of Penn Valley, CA.

Grandchildren Sherry Kosma of Canterbury, CT, Krista Marich of Grass Valley, CA, Ryan Melching of Sacramento, CA, and three great granddaughters.

Preceded by his loving wife "Jean" Melching and grandson Aaron Melching.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to Neighborhood Center of the

Arts. 200 Litton Dr. suite 212 Grass Valley, CA 95945

A celebration of life will be held at their home late July.

Arrangements are under the care of Chapel of the Angels Mortuary.

Tribute Wall

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“ *CHAPEL OF THE ANGELS MORTUARY lit a candle in memory of FORREST WARD MELCHING*



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