



Edward Schneider

October 16, 1931 - December 16, 2012

Edward Allen Schneider passed away on Dec. 16 at Munson Hospice House, following a long illness. Ed, an early computer programming pioneer who loved nothing better than brainstorming inventions and big ideas with his beloved wife and childhood sweetheart Nancy and their four children, was born in Kalkaska on Oct. 16, 1931 and graduated as valedictorian of his Kalkaska High School class. Ed went on to earn degrees in physics and math in the University of Michigan class of 1953. Some of those skills were applied during the Korean War, while in the Army he used early analog computers to analyze missile trajectories at the White Sands proving grounds. Ed went on to work at Goodyear Atomic in Portsmouth, Ohio, where his team computerized the process for early uranium separation. He also worked with the first fully transistorized computer for submarines in the defense systems division at Minneapolis-based Sperry Univac. The opportunity to move into the same farmhouse from which his great-grandfather once ran a sawmill operation drew him back to Michigan and the 120-acre family centennial farm near Manistee. In Michigan, Ed did contract computer work, helped his wife Nancy open and run an ice cream store called The Little Dipper and engaged in many passions that included electronics of any sort and the collecting of mechanical calculating machines. Ed was preceded in death by his parents, Edward Casper Schneider and Vera Schneider, his sister, Jane Henderson and his wife Nancy Schneider. He is survived by his sister, Nora DeWitt, children, Mark (Pamela) Schneider, Karl (Kim) Schneider, Susan (Cynthius)

Schneider, Thomas (Debbie) Schneider and eight grandchildren. A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Dec. 30 at the Boardman Township Cemetery in South Boardman (weather permitting) with his nephew Charles McDaniel officiating. A luncheon gathering will immediately follow. Memorials in his memory may be directed to Munson Hospice, 1105 6th St., Traverse City, Mich., 49684. Arrangements were made by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home.

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