



Edward Wynsma

July 7, 1928 - November 2, 2023

Beloved Father, Grandfather and Great Grandfather, Edward Wynsma died on Thursday, November 2, 2023, at his home under Hospice Care.

In 2022 he was preceded in death by his high school sweetheart, Bonnie Jeanne Wynsma, just 8 days shy of their 74th wedding anniversary. He was also preceded in death by their oldest child, Steven Edward Wynsma, age 36, in 1988. He is survived by two living children, Wendy “Gwen” Drews (Mancelona) and Barry Wynsma (Salmon, Idaho); two grandchildren, Amber Drews and Colter Wynsma. He has 3 Great Grandchildren who were a source of joy and amusement to him throughout their young lives.

He was born on July 7, 1928, in Grand Rapids, Michigan to the late Edward W. and Katie (Schoor) Wynsma. He graduated from Wyoming Park High School in 1946 after earning letters in 5 sports. He enlisted in the Army and served in the Army of Occupation for 12 months, stationed near Rome. He was honorably discharged in 1948, whereupon he immediately proposed to Bonnie in writing on a bill of Italian currency. They were married on August 26, 1949. Under the GI Bill, he entered Tri State College in Indiana where he was awarded a four-year degree in Electrical Engineering after 2 ½ years of study and began work at Consumers Power where he rapidly became a regional Superintendent. In his early working years, he participated in laying the original electrical grid in the Northern Lower Peninsula of Michigan. He retired after 32 years to pursue his many outdoor hobbies and travel.

Ed lived to be 95 years old and resided at Kalkaska Memorial Assisted Living

with Bonnie. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He golfed at Twin Birch until a month before his death. He will be sorely missed by those of us who knew and loved him.

The family is planning a private memorial for him and his wife at a later date. Arrangements provide by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours