



## Phillip J Dukes

February 8, 1923 - May 19, 2017

Phillip J. Dukes, 94, died peacefully at home surrounded by his wife and children. He will be greatly missed by his wife Marion, daughter Barbara Rose, son Tom and his wife Cathy, and daughter Carolyn Linehan and her husband Ray, six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. Phil was the son of Kathleen and William Dukes and survived his brother Bill and sister Gretchen. He grew up in Boulder, Colorado and sustained love for the mountains and trout fly fishing throughout his life. Phil was a World War II veteran in the 12th Armored Division who served overseas in Europe. Upon his return he attended the University of Colorado where he met and married Marion von Holst from Chicago. Phil obtained a degree in Mechanical Engineering and his first job returned him to the midwest. Phil worked for over 47 years in the steel industry and retired from LaSalle Steel in Hammond, Indiana. A happy and creative retiree, Phil was a skilled woodworking craftsman and passionate hobbyist. His home is filled with his beautiful creations: desks, dressers, rocking chairs, stereo speakers, and tables. Phil enjoyed projects and rarely encountered a mechanical problem he couldn't solve. Phil's many hobbies included stereo hi-fi and classical music. He and Marion's shared love of classical music brought them together over 66 years ago! More hobbies: building and flying radio controlled model airplanes, quilting, baking "Christmas Bread" to share with family and neighbors. As a younger man Phil maintained a beautiful yard full of flowers and fruit trees. Just days before he passed, with help from his children, he planted some impatiens flowers in the

planter box out front. A memorial celebration of his life will be held on Friday, July 14th at Burns Funeral Home 701 E 7th St Hobart, IN 46342. Doors will open at 4:00pm for socializing, followed by a Celebration of Life service at 6:00pm.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 14. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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## Celebration of Life

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