



## Ralph Glenn Lippold

October 26, 1921 - October 4, 2017

Ralph Glenn Lippold, Born: Oct. 26, 1921 – Died: Oct. 4, 2017

Ralph was born in Ridgefield, IL to Maude Jane “Helen” (Frane) & Ralph Godfrey Lippold. He had two brothers, Warren Edward, and Willard Alan “Bill” Lippold. He attended school at Crystal Lake, IL. He became a Navy pilot during WWII with the rank of Lieutenant and flew several types of prop and jet planes. His Navy experience led him to fly all over the U.S. and Cuba. While practicing take-offs and landings on an aircraft carrier, he crashed a plane into the ship’s “island” but escaped injury. He was unable to deploy overseas along with his squadron due to a medical issue.

He married Betty Jane Camp and bought a home in Woodstock, IL. Following military service, he became a tool and die designer/draftsman which he did until his retirement. Ralph fathered two boys, Robert Glenn & James Allen Lippold. Ralph divorced in 1968.

Ralph had a storied and eventful retirement. He opened a live-music bar in an African-American neighborhood in Elgin IL, and felt as comfortable and at home in Downtown Chicago as he did in the small-towns he lived in. He tried his hand at investing in rental income property over the years. Later in life he moved to southern Illinois where he lived until he required nursing home care in 2017 at age 95. He was preceded in death by his parents and both brothers.

He is survived by his two sons Bob (Diane) and Jim, and Bob’s daughters Jennifer (Steve) Harron and Heather Lippold, and Jennifer’s children Maya &

Aidan Harron, and nephews Scotty, Kevin, Trent & Vaughn, niece Lynn Lippold, and cousins Lois & Virginia Lippold.

Private inurnment will be at a later date at Crystal Lake Memorial Park in Crystal Lake, Illinois.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph Glenn Lippold*

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