

Walter Kinnaman, 90

Walter Raymond Kinnaman, 90, Chesterfield, Mo., suddenly died Monday, Jan. 23, 2012 at his home.

A memorial service was held January 30, 2012 at Schrader Funeral Home, Ballwin, Mo., with burial at Jefferson Barracks.

Walter served on a sub-chaser in the Coast Guard division of the U.S. Navy during WWII. While stationed in San Francisco, he met and married Margaret Wegner of Groton South Dakota. They celebrated their 68th anniversary January 4. Walter worked for the Union Pacific Railroad as a fireman and in a Colorado gold mine during his youth and was self-employed as a Manufacturer's Rep. for many years with an office in the former Merchandise Mart downtown.

He was an active member of the United Methodist Church and served on many boards and committees. Walter was congenial and kind; his sense of humor helped him make friends wherever he went. In the midst of his own illnesses, he always showed concern for the needs of others.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Kinnaman (nee Wegner); four daughters, Joanne Tigwell, Donna Maurer, Marilyn (Charles) Platipodis and Jane Kinnaman; seven grandchildren, Kurt (Carol) Stiefer, Karey Stiefer, Merrick (Heather) Stiefer, Laura Maurer, Doug Maurer, Anthony Platipodis and Elizabeth Platipodis; seven great grandchildren; one sister, Mary Merrill, and many friends. He was preceded in death by one sister, Gladys Stawarz.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to National Guard Trust Fund. Friends may sign the online guestbook at Schrader.com

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