



Lawrence Madison Shaw

May 21, 1928 - November 21, 2009

Mr. Lawrence Madison Shaw, 81, of Salisbury, passed away Friday, November 21, 2009 at the NC State Veteran's Home. He was born in Ann Arbor, Michigan and was the son of Herbert Madison Shaw and Margaret Tibbals Shaw.

He graduated from Ann Arbor High School in 1946 and The University of Michigan school of Business Administration in 1950. While at Michigan, he played on the Big Ten championship 150 pound football team.

He married Jo Ann Lyons on August 19, 1950. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Amy Landis and husband Rob, and their daughters, Kaitlyn and Annika of Hailey, Idaho; son, Thomas, and wife Gina and their son, Wil, of Lexington, NC, and son Robert, and wife Heidi and their daughter Isabella, of Crozet, Va.

He worked for King Seely Corporation in Ann Arbor as an Industrial Engineer from 1950-1952. He served in the US Navy as a supply officer from 1952-1955, attaining the rank of LTJG. In 1956, he went to work as an Industrial Engineer for Lee L. Woodard & Sons in Owosso, Michigan. In 1959, he moved to Salisbury, NC to build and manage the Carolina Forge business for Woodard. In 1969, he and William Lyon co-founded the Lyon-Shaw wrought iron furniture company. After Lyon-Shaw was sold in 1987, he returned to

Woodard as Vice President for product development. In 1990, he joined Garden Source in Atlanta as Sales Manager and became President of Currey Company, as outgrowth of that business. From 1996-2000, he served as Chief Operating Officer for Charleston Forge in Boone, NC.

He served as a director of the National Association of Furniture Manufacturers from 1976-1983, as President of the Summer and Casual Furniture Manufacturers Association from 1982-1983; and President of Sales and Marketing Division of the American Furniture Manufacturers Association from 1986-1987.

Community service included President of the Overton PTA, Salisbury City School Board, and helping to start the Industrial Management Club.

Larry was an avid golfer and skier, winning the Harrisburg (PA) District Golf Tournament in 1955 and was twice Medalist and Finalist in the Labor Day Golf Tournament. He was devoted to his family and friends and a mentor to the people who worked with him.

A Memorial Celebration is tentatively planned for Saturday, December 5, 2009. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to Hurley Park 126 W. Innes St. Salisbury, NC 28144 or the charity of your choice.

The family wishes to thank the staff at the NC State Veteran's Home for their dedicated and compassionate care.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Shaw family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Dear JoAnn, we have lost another school mate from the class of 1946. I remember you from Perry School and John Street.

You have my deepest sympathy with your loss of Larry. I lost my wife in 06 and life has been very lonely.

I had Polio in the 6th grade and Polio syndrom has caught up to me. My walker is my best friend.

Dick Yarmain, Bob Heger, & Dick Hager are grat friends and send their sympathy to you.

God bless you and your family###imported-begin###Fred Eibler###imported-end###

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“ My thoughts and prayers for you and your family in this time. Your friend Tim###imported-begin###Tim Lineberry###imported-end###

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“ Larry was always one of my favorite customers when I worked at Dick Brooks Honda and Gerry Wood Honda. He had a way of making everyone feel special. We always enjoyed the pretzels he brought us at Christmas. He will truly be missed.###imported-begin###Donna Carter Fowler###imported-end###

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“ *My prayers are with your family always. May your Father rest in peace.* *##imported-begin##Jon E. Bain##imported-end##*

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