



F. J. "Jack" Bittel

March 7, 2016

F. J. "Jack" Bittel, age 99, of Columbus, Ohio (formerly of Poland, Ohio), died Monday, March 7, 2016 at his residence at The Forum at Knightsbridge. Jack was born on July 8, 1916, in Chicago, Illinois to the late Winifred Joseph and Frank J. Bittel. He was a graduate of Culver Military Academy and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Jack was a veteran of the United States Navy and served his country during WWII and the Korean War. Jack married his wife, Carol, in 1948 in Chicago and later settled in Poland, Ohio before moving to Columbus in his later years. Jack was Vice President of Sales in 1977 when Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company closed.

Afterwards he owned F.J. Bittel and Company and worked until the age of 95. A gentleman and a gentle man. Jack enjoyed gardening, golf, bridge and traveling the world. He was known for being loving, thoughtful and fair. Jack is survived by his beloved wife Carol of The Forum; children: Mary Bergen of Kennebunkport, Maine, Calley Bittel of New York, New York and Frank (Maureen) Bittel of Dublin, Ohio; his grandchildren: Jayne (Dick) Balzano, Jack Bittel and Neil Bittel; and his great-grandson A.J. Balzano; brother-in-law Wallace Weil; as well as his nieces and nephews. Jack was preceded in death by his sister, Jane Bittel Weil, and son-in-law, William Bergen. His family will be observing a private memorial service later this Spring at Diamond Lake, Michigan where his cremated remains will be scattered. If they choose, friends may make memorial contributions to The Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County - Poland Library, Development Office, 305 Wick Ave.,

Youngstown, OH 44503 in his memory. The Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell, 450 W. Olentangy St., Powell, OH 43065 (614)-792-1471 assisted the family. Please visit www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com to send condolences to the family.

Cemetery Details

Diamond Lake

Tribute Wall



“ F. J. "Jack" Bittel

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ Carol, Mary, Calley and Frank,

I was so sorry to hear about your loss. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time and that your memories will give you comfort.

Marianne Higgins

Marianne Higgins - March 14, 2016 at 06:17 PM



“ *First I would like to say I am sorry for your loss we are never prepared to lose a loved one. Secondly, it all makes sense now, (nearly 50 years later) that, Mr. Bittel served our country, Thank you. His stoic personality was met with respect and he surely touched many lives. Remembering my childhood; we would gather at whose ever house was closest when thirsty after riding our bikes through the neighborhoods. Often, it would be at the Bittel's home in Poland. Back then, families were familiar and you were known by your older brothers' or sister or parents. Manners were foremost we referred to our friends parents with respect. I remember greeting Mr. Bittel when he was reading in the den while Mrs. Bittel, offered fresh baked cookies and milk. He acknowledge our presence with a discerning nod courteous smile and statement of who was from whose family. My sympathies.*

Tribbey Z Nelson - March 13, 2016 at 02:27 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time*

May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of F. J. Bittel, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your work on earth is complete. I thank you for your service and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.

My thoughts and prayers are with the family of.....

US Navy Veteran, F. J. Bittel, “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - March 13, 2016 at 06:37 AM

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“ God Bless/RIP. A heartfelt Thank YOU for your service in WWII. The USA would NOT be as it is today. I treasure the freedoms for which YOU fought for and also in Korea, Jack And Semper Fi.



Herb Guyer-Sharfenaker USMC - March 12, 2016 at 11:41 AM