



## Mathias Felix Maas

May 8, 1923 - November 20, 2015

MATHIAS "SONNY" FELIX MAAS May 8, 1923 ~ November 19, 2015 Mathias Maas passed away peacefully in his home in Vancouver, Washington. "Matt" lived a full life of 92 years. He served in the U.S. Navy on a baby flat top carrier during WWII. After the war, he worked for United Airlines for several years while attending college at the University of Portland where he earned his Bachelor's degree. After earning his Master's degree in Education from Lewis and Clark College he worked for the Washington State School for the Deaf, where he retired. Matt also served as a senior intern in the Washington State legislature and was the author of a bill that adopted the first Washington State TTY system for the deaf. He loved his golf and golfing friends. After he could no longer play he spent much of his day watching golf television. Even in his later years he was sharp enough to do the New York Times crosswords in pen. Matt was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Edith Maas; his son, Steven Maas, a U.S. Army Helicopter Pilot; and his brother, Henry Maas. Matt's surviving family includes sisters, Maxine Glaze, Katherine Church, and Irene Brouger; son, Doug Maas and his wife, Lynn Maas; daughter, Nancy Dobler and her husband, Jeff Dobler; grandchildren, Brian Maas and wife, Kelly Maas, Amy Maas, Ben Dobler and wife, Katie; great-granddaughters, Riley Maas, Taylor Facchino, Cleo Dobler; and great-grandson, Winston Maxwell. He will be interred at a private family only graveside service. In lieu of flowers, the family would request that any donations go to: Friends of Hospice, P.O. Box 3116, Vancouver, WA 98668. Please sign his Guest Book

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