



Russell Albert Schmidt

June 19, 2015

Russell Albert Schmidt, 95, died peacefully in his sleep surrounded by his loving family on Friday, June 19, 2015, at the Gardens of Germantown in Germantown, TN. Born in Wausau, WI, and graduated from the University of Wisconsin, Russell was recruited to Oak Ridge, TN, in the early 1940s to work on the Manhattan Project. He and his wife lived in Oak Ridge until moving to Germantown in 2012. After retirement from Union Carbide in Oak Ridge, he earned his pilot's license and became active in the Civil Air Patrol, attaining the rank of Lt. Colonel. In that capacity, he accompanied several groups of CAP cadets to Europe to participate in International Cadet Exchanges.

Russell was an avid snow skier and enjoyed playing the organ. He and his wife also enjoyed extensive international travels.

He is survived by his wife of 73 years, Phyllis Meyer Schmidt; sons Ron (Vicki) Schmidt of Collierville, TN, Bob Schmidt of Kingston, TN, and Craig (Linda) Schmidt of Hayes, VA; 6 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, and 3 great-great grandchildren.

Cremation services will be provided by Coleman Funeral Home in Oxford, MS, followed by interment at Oak Ridge Memorial Park.

Online condolences may be left on the Tribute Wall of this website.