



Mr Joseph E Yon

July 2, 1926 - July 18, 2017

Joseph Emile Yon, 91, died Tuesday morning at Craneville Place of Dalton.

Born in Pittsfield on July 2, 1926, the son of Ernest and Eva Chabot Yon, he attended local schools and was a graduate of Pittsfield High School.

A veteran of WWII, he enlisted in the Navy at the age of 17. He was honorably discharged with the rank of Petty Officer 3rd Class Radioman in May of 1946. He was assigned to the USS Biscayne, and saw action at Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

Joe worked at GE as a winder, as well as in construction on the Oklahoma pipeline. He was also co-owner of a television installation and service repair business before being employed by the Mass Turnpike Authority. During his 31 years there he worked as a heavy equipment operator and storeroom clerk, retiring in 1988.

An avid golfer, he was a member of the Berkshire Hills Country Club for many years. He loved to travel and loved the ocean and spent many winters in Panama City Beach, Florida.

Joe is survived by his son, Dennis Yon and wife, Mary Jean of Slingerlands, NY; daughter-in-law Lynn Yon of Pittsfield; grandchildren, Monique Berntsen and husband, David, Corey Yon and wife Stephanie, Chris Yon; and five great-grandchildren. He is predeceased by his wife Mary, his son Dana, and two sisters, Irene Roche and Anita Parsons.

Joe Yon was a patriot, gentleman and true friend to all that knew him. He left this world a better place just by being himself. Until we meet again, we love you Joe, your loving family.

SERVICES: There will be no calling hours and a celebration of life will be held at the family's convenience at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Joe's memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association in care of the Roche Funeral Home, 120 Main St., Lenox, MA 01240