



Ernest Edward Champion, Sr.

December 17, 2007

Mr. Ernest Edward Champion, Sr., 87, died Monday, December 17, 2007 at his residence. Mr. Champion was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, a son of John Wilbur and Mary Grace Champion. He was in the Civilian Conservation Corp before joining the Navy where he served on the U.S.S. Albany. He was a WWII veteran and retired from the U.S. Navy as a Chief Petty Officer after 20 years of service. Returning to the Washington, DC area, he worked for the Dept. of Commerce ? NOAA Division, Suitland, MD and retired in 1980. From 1980 to 1985, Mr. Champion worked for Litton Industries and Teledyne Systems in Northridge, CA. In 1985, he retired to Pawleys Island. He was a member of Fleet Reserve Assoc., the Seagull Men?s Golf Assoc., and the National Assoc. of Retired Federal Employees, U.S. Navy Memorial. He was preceded in death by his sister, Elizabeth Allen and his brother, Charles J. Champion. Mr. Champion is survived by his wife, Kay E. Champion of Pawleys Island; two sons, Ernest E. Champion, Jr. of Beltsville, MD and John C. Champion of Colorado Springs, CO; daughter, Mary E. Haun and husband, Cary, of Dayton, OH; grandson, Jason M. Champion of Colorado Springs, CO; two granddaughters, Sara K. Albrecht and husband, Steven, of Tipp City, OH and Kimberly A. Hedrick and husband, Jason, of Troy, OH; great-granddaughter, Skye A. Champion of Colorado Springs, CO; and sister, Helen Taylor of Jacksonville, FL. Visitation will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, December 20, 2007 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel. A memorial visitation and inurnment will follow at a later date in Arlington, VA. Memorials

may be made to Heartland Hospice Services, 1500 Main Street, Conway, SC 29526, the American Lung Association of SC, 1817 Gadsen St., Columbia, SC 29201-2392, or to the American Heart Association Memorial Center, PO Box 5216, Glen Allen, VA 23058-5216.