



Walter Patrylick

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Walter Patrylick Walter Patrylick died Sunday, May 17 at his home in Pawleys Island, South Carolina. Born March 18, 1922 in Minersville, PA, he was the youngest son of Andrew and Catherine Scholtes Patrylick. He leaves his wife of 58 years, Kathryn Walsh Patrylick. Prior to moving to South Carolina, he lived for many years in Cheshire, CT and Philadelphia. A World War II veteran, he served as an infantryman and combat medic with the 44th Division in Europe. Among other commendations, he was awarded the Bronze Star for gallantry at the Battle of the Bulge. After the war, he completed his education receiving his degree in chemical engineering from Drexel University. Over a thirty five year period, he held several positions at Bristol-Babcock including director of the Philadelphia office. He retired as Marketing Director. He was a charter member of Instrument Society of America serving as chapter president and held several positions on boards and committees in the industrial instrument field. Retiring in 1987, he moved to South Carolina. Walter enjoyed travel, gardening and history. His extensive collection of books on the Civil war will be donated to The Citadel, his son's alma mater. He was a member of Precious Blood of Christ Catholic Church and volunteered at Brookgreen Gardens and the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughter, Carol O'Donnell and her husband, Bruce of Cheshire CT; son, Gerald and his wife Susan of Durham, NC and his grandchildren: Katherine O'Donnell of Washington, DC, Brendan and Connor O'Donnell of Cheshire, CT, Megan, Amy and Taylor Patrylick of Durham and

several nieces and nephews. He also leaves his canine companion, Buttons. The family deeply appreciates the compassionate care provided by Tidelands Hospice, particularly Eileen. A Mass of Celebration will be held on Friday, May 22 at 11:00 a.m. at Precious Blood of Christ Catholic Church in Pawleys Island. Burial with military honors will be held at Arlington Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be sent to Tidelands Community Hospice, Inc. 2591 N. Frazier Street, in Georgetown, SC. An online guest book is available at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com Goldfinch Funeral Home, Litchfield/Pawleys Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.