



Perl V. Farrington, Jr.

October 22, 1925 - February 15, 2018

Perl V. Farrington, Jr. 92, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018 at Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. He was born Oct. 22, 1925 in Brewer, Maine and was a 1943 graduate of Bucksport, Maine High School. Following graduation, he enlisted in the US Navy and served in the Pacific Theatre during WWII. Following his discharge in 1946, Perl enrolled at the University of Maine, graduating in 1951 and became a County Agricultural Agent. He was employed by the Corn Products Corporation in Maine and Boston, MA and in 1964 went to work for Abbott Laboratories in their Agricultural Division, retiring in 1991.

He was a life member of the Bucksport Masonic Lodge, a founding member of Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church and the Abbott Retiree's Club. Perl also enjoyed fishing, had his Captain's License and kept a 35' boat on Lake Michigan.

Surviving are his wife of 70 years, Virginia Farrington; 4 children, Robert (Norma) Farrington, Linda (James) Bertelson, Sue McGowan (Ed Keller) and Sandy (Rich) Gierlach; 8 Grandchildren, 10 Great Grandchildren and his sister, Beverly Strout.

Visitation will be from Noon to 4:00 pm Sunday, Feb. 18 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.) Libertyville. Funeral services with military honors will be at 11:00 am Monday, Feb. 19 at the funeral home. Memorial contributions can be made to either the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, 1 N. LaSalle St. #1200, Chicago

60602 or the honorflightchicago.org. Info: 847-362-3009 or please sign the on-line guest book at www.burnettdane.com.

Tribute Wall

DM

“ He was a great man, father and grandfather. In addition he had a tremendous influence on a young man trying to enter the business world. He commanded a room and could and would talk with anybody and everybody. Everyone who met him remembers the meeting as he was an articulate member of the greatest generation and therefore very interesting to talk with. My sympathies to the family and may God bless you all with his comfort and may Mr. Farrington Rest In Peace.

Dan McGowan - April 27, 2018 at 03:53 AM

GK

“ We also have our boat on C Dock at Southport Marina in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Perl was one of the kindest of men. He was the epitome of a true gentleman and a joy to talk with whenever he strolled by. He shall be missed on our dock. C Dock will not be the same without him. Gary and Kathy Klein Carrie'd Away

Gary and Kathy Klein - April 27, 2018 at 03:53 AM

DA

“ Dear Linda, Mrs. Farrington and the Farrington Family: Mrs. Arai and I extend our sincere condolences to you and your family. We live in the Reserve in Phase IV and it has been our pleasure to see Mr. Farrington on some summer mornings exercising by bike riding or walking in our area. He personified a very healthy person. Perl would stop and chat in his distinct "Maine" accent with me and we would discuss something happening in the Reserve. In my many terms on our Master Board, I personally appreciate Perl's contribution to the overall beautification of our Reserve Properties. Please extend our deepest sympathies to the entire Farrington Family. We are presently in our winter home in Kauai, Hawaii and unable to make his visitation. Most Sincerely, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Arai
1729 River Birch Way in The Reserve

Dr. Harold & Irene Arai - April 27, 2018 at 03:53 AM

KF

“ Dear Farrington Family, I apologize for the late message. I just learned of Perl's death yesterday. I am the Chief Financial Officer at the University of Maine Foundation and have worked closely with Perl in recent years with the Perl and Virginia Farrington Scholarships at Bucksport High School. More importantly, I got to talk with Perl a lot on the phone, email, and see him on his trips to Maine to attend the high school award ceremony. I heard a lot about boating and fishing and he was not shy or humble when it came to sharing how proud he was of his children and grandchildren. You may know that my dad served on the same ship with Perl in WWII. Perl shared a number of items from their ship/tour. I lost my dad in 1996 so Perl gave me a gift of feeling close to my dad. Thank you Perl.

Kevin Frazier - April 27, 2018 at 03:53 AM

GB

“ Dear Virginia and family. My sincere condolences. due to a recent operation was unable to attend.

George Boehm - April 27, 2018 at 03:53 AM

JD

“ Perl Farrington was a man who impacted my life in more ways than one. I found out during my last days of high school that I was the recipient of a scholarship funded by Perl & Virginia Farrington. When I had received news of this scholarship, I was both shocked and speechless. Coming from a family who did not always have a lot of money, the cost of college was a major concern for us. But with this generous scholarship, the financial burden of college was set aside and I was able to transition from high school student to college student very easily. Over the last 4 years, Perl and I had stayed in contact via letters and emails. It was always the highlight of the end of the semester when I would email Perl to tell him the new knowledge and nursing skills I had gained, as well as provide a copy of my grades to prove how hard I had been working. Just as I was reaching the halfway point of this semester, I received an email revealing that Perl had passed away. This news saddens me beyond words and my condolences go out to his wife and family. Perl believed in my ability to succeed from the very start of my college education. He was able to knock down the walls of self doubt I had built up around my self. He allowed me to see my potential and worth as both a person and a college student. He is the reason why I have been able to blossom into the nursing student I am today, as well as the nurse I will be in the future. I hope one day to create my own scholarship to help students going to college for nursing. If I can help even one student the way Perl helped me and countless other college students, than I will feel happy knowing Perl is watching down on me live on his legacy of helping others in times of need.

Jade Darragh - April 27, 2018 at 03:53 AM



“ *Sandy, Even though I never met your Dad, I always heard great things about him. I know he will be truly missed. So sorry for your loss.*

February 16, 2018 at 12:00 AM