

## Obituary of Ernst H. Siegmund

Ernie was born in Bremen, Germany and came to the United States in 1930 with his mother and brother Walter. His father had come two years earlier to prepare a new life for the family in Rochester, N.Y. Ernie learned English at No. 9 School and later graduated from Franklin High School, class of 1940. He worked at Bausch and Lomb until he went into the Navy. He served aboard the USS Boston and the USS Bordelon in World War II.

After his service, he came home to join his father in what became Siegmund Tool Company as a tool and die maker. They worked side by side for many years and he continued the business until he was 85 yrs. old. He was a man of excellence in this precision work.

He met the love of his life Norma, on a blind date and they married on February 14, 1948. They had two daughters, Susan and Laurie. Ernie and Norma lived in Irondequoit until they moved to Webster in 1968 to his dream house on the lake. They loved to travel, especially cruising. Norma passed away in 1995.

Ernie had many interests. He enjoyed photography, amateur radio, boating, woodworking, model trains, electronics, music and computers. He was president of the RARA and a member of the DX club as an amateur radio operator (K2ITM). He belonged to the Coast Guard Auxiliary both in Rochester and later at Sodus Point. He was a member of the Rochester Canoe Club (sailing club) where he and Norma met many of their lifelong friends. Later on they traded sailing for power boating at Sodus Point.

Ernie had three granddaughters Denise, Chelsea and Kara Anderson. Sunday morning with them, son- in- law David and his daughters became a family tradition. He passed on his passion of creativity to them. He loved his family and many friends. He was a gentleman with a great sense of humor and an amazing ability to fix or build almost anything. He passed away peacefully at home, near the lake he loved, with his family around him. He was 96 years old.

Predeceased by his wife Norma; brother, Walter; niece Robin. He leaves his daughters Sue Siegmund and Laurie (David) Anderson; grandchildren, Denise (Phillip Dodds), Chelsea (Joe Spinelli) and Kara Anderson; sister-in-law, Lois; nephews, Paul and Kurt (Diane); niece Lisa; grandniece, Clara; great-grandnephew, Alex Cook.

There will be a celebration of his life December 10, 2017 at 2pm. at the United Church of Christ Congregational, 570 Klem Road, Webster, N.Y. 14580.