John R. Trail

Groton - John R. Trail, 85, of 6 Eastwood Road, Groton, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2009, at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital in New London.

John was born on Jan. 14, 1924, in New London, the son of M. Henry and Minnie Esther (Spicer) Trail.

He was married to the late Jean E. MacInnis on March 2, 1946, in Groton. Mrs. Trail passed away Dec. 17, 2008.

A Navy veteran of World War II, John had retired as a general foreman in the Citric Dept. at Pfizer after a 30 year career.

He is survived by his daughter, Linda Trail Smith and her husband, Mont, of Haymarket, Va.; two sisters, Patricia Maxson of Groton and Betty Jacobsen of Mystic; two grandchildren and their spouses, Rebecca and Lt. Col. Charles Krumwiede and Jeffrey and Kristiane Smith; as well as four great-grandchildren.

Besides his wife, Jean, John had also been predeceased by two brothers, Richard Wheeler Trail and Henry Trail and his twin great-grandchildren, Lauren Jean and Kasey Elizabeth Krumwiede.

The family will receive friends and relatives from 1 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19 at John's former residence.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25 at Byles-Groton Memorial Home, 310 Thames St. His burial, in the Colonel Ledyard Cemetery with his wife, Jean, will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be directed the charity of the donor's choice.

