



David Naske Obituary

David Edward Naske, 97, died peacefully at his home in Florida, in January, 2023. David was born in September 1925, in Albany, NY, the only child of Dorothy Rose Adams and Edward Gustave Naske. David spent his childhood in the Albany area, and attended high school in [Kingston, NY](#).

During his senior year, the family relocated to Schenectady. With his parents' reluctant approval, David joined the Navy in 1943 at age 17. He was a veteran of WWII, first participating in the D-Day invasion, then serving in the Pacific on the USS Boston, achieving the rank of Electrician's Mate, First Class. After the war, David returned to Schenectady and began working for Western Electric as an installer. He said, "it was either Western Electric or General Electric!" He married Ruth D. Slocum in 1950. They moved to Ballston Spa and raised three children until Ruth's passing in 1985. For many Summers, the family enjoyed camping in the Adirondacks, and their favorite place was Lewey Lake. In 1984 David retired as a supervisor at Western Electric. After moving to Florida, he met Doris Alessi and they were married in 1990. In retirement, David enjoyed traveling, fishing on his boat, camping, and the Everglades. He and Doris traveled all over the world, including Antarctica. He liked to joke that he spent more of his life retired than he did working. David was a member of Everglades City Community Church. David is survived by his children, Robert (Lynda) Naske of [Johnstown, NY](#); Carol (Jim) Mann of FL; and David S. (Karen) Naske of [Zephyrhills, FL](#); three grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren. David was preceded in death by his former wives, Ruth Naske (Slocum) and Doris Naske (Alessi). Internment will be at a private gathering at Memory Gardens, Albany, NY, in June. Donations in Dave's name may be made to St. Jude's Hospital at www.stjude.org