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Arthur W. Perkins, 91 of Palm Harbor, Florida, passed away on April 22, 2013. He was born in Stratford, Connecticut on January 11, 1922 and settled with his family in Milford, CT. attending the Milford Public Schools. After graduating from Milford High School in 1940, he attended the University of Connecticut for two years, with the decision to make Music his career and serve in the U.S. Navy as well, he was enrolled in the Navy Music School in San Diego, CA. There he had instruction and training both in concert and dance band performance. From California, he was assigned in a band to the U.S.S. Saratoga aircraft carrier for the duration of the war. Upon discharge from the service, he completed his work at Danbury State Teacher's College in Connecticut earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Education and graduating in 1951. During the beginning of his thirty years teaching instrumental music in Torrington, CT, he completed his Master of Arts Degree at Columbia University in New York City. After retiring, he moved to Dunedin. Art enjoyed many years of performing with musical organizations. Arthur is survived by his beloved wife, Barbara; two sons, Curtis of Middletown, OH and Randall of Mena, AR.; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. A celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held at St. Mark's Village Chapel, 2655 Nebraska Avenue, Palm Harbor, FL. on Friday, April 26th at 1:00 pm with a reception to follow. In lieu of flowers, Memorial donations in Arthur's memory can be made to St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir 705 Michigan, Blvd, Dunedin, Florida 34698.



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Robert Mackinnon posted:

May Arthur W. Perkins Rest in Eternal Peace. His Music and Love was in Favor of the Lord. Arthur will be greatly missed. Robert M. MacKinnon & Sons, (Phyllis M. Drake & entire family)

May 2 at 8:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Enjoyed knowing Art when he swam with the Golden Dolphins at Dunedin's Highlander Pool. When we had Christmas parties and he furnished the music it was really great. He will be missed.

April 27 at 8:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Enjoyed knowing Art when he swam at Highlander Pool with the Goldin Dolphins. Also his music at our Christmas parties was memorable. He was special. Pat Watts

April 27 at 8:00 PM



Ted Decorso posted:

Kay and I are very saddened at the loss of this wonderful man and our hearts go out to Barbara and Art's family. I always considered Art a central force in the Suncoast Symphony, in which he played such an important part. He was a very sharp and perceptive person and an astute musician, but mostly we will remember his kindness and empathy for others. He will be missed.

April 25 at 8:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Chris and I are so sad to hear of Arts' passing. He was always ready to laugh and be helpful. Remind me to tell you about my orange juicing lesson he insisted on giving me after we bought the house on Princeton Ave. Sandra Schwartz and Chris Croff

April 24 at 8:00 PM



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Nancy Wallace posted:

Art was patient, kind and a good listener. I am glad I had the chance to know him and I am glad Barbara had him in her life.

April 23 at 8:00 PM



James J. Mateka posted:

My heartfelt condolences go out to Barbara and Art's family. I knew Art for over thirty years. We have lost a fine musician and I have lost a dear friend. God Bless.

April 23 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Arthur by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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