

Breen G. Lansford

Breen G. Lansford, Major (Ret) USMC, 88, of Lake Como, passed away Sept. 20, 2010.

Born June 2, 1922, in Catoosa Co., Ga., Breen graduated from Ringgold, Ga., Class of 1939. He joined USN June 10, 1940, and served as a pharmacist's mate aboard the USS Arkansas as it did escort duty for convoys crossing the Atlantic. They also participated in the Battle of North Africa. In 1943 he was accepted to the V-5 program for flight instruction and upon completion, opted to take his commission with the USMC. He served as a fighter pilot in the Pacific Theater, two tours of duty in Korea including the action at The Chosin Reservoir. He retired in 1961 from Headquarters Marine Corps where he served as the head of the Surveillance and Reconnaissance Section. He then resided in Maitland, where he represented several California photographic instrumentation companies.

Breen had been a resident of Lake Como since 1972 where he was active in the community for many years as president of Lake Como Water Association, Pomona Park-Lake Como Cemetery and 25 years as clerk of the Lake Como voting precinct. He had been a Mason for 65 years, a past Master of Lake Lodge 72, Lake Como, and a Past Patron of Crescent City 2000. E.S. He was a charter member of the Bass Capital Shrine Club and member of Morocco Temple and Scottish Rite in Jacksonville.

Breen was preceded in death by his parents, Meddie and Mary Ellen Lansford of Catoosa Co., Ga.; brothers Ottis Lansford, Selman Lansford and Eldon Lansford.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Charlene S. Lansford, Lake Como; daughter Deborah E. Clutter (David), Ormond Beach; son Glynn G. Lansford (Diane), Harvest, Ala., four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren, four stepgrandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. He is also survived by sisters-in-law Mary Stults, Lake Como, and Barbara Tenenbaum, Gaithersburg, Md., and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Mr. Lansford will be conducted at 11 a.m., Friday, Sept. 24 in the Biggs Memorial Chapel, with the Rev. George Zimmermann officiating. Interment will follow in the Lake Como-Pomona Park Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday evening from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Arrangements are under the careful care of the Clayton Frank and Biggs Funeral Home, 402 Cypress Ave., Crescent City.