



## Charles W. Ray

July 7, 1931 - January 23, 2009

Charles W. Ray<sup>77</sup>, of Carmel, formerly of Rochester, Bloomington and Jeffersonville, passed away January 23, 2009. He was born July 7, 1931 in Crawfordsville, IN to Harry E. and Elizabeth Coats Ray. Charles graduated from Rochester, Indiana High School in the Class of 1949. He served his country in the U. S. Navy during the Korean War. He earned his BS and MBA from Indiana University in Bloomington. Charles was a member of Delta Chi Fraternity, IU Foundation and was a letterman in Track & Field. In 2007, Charles received his 50 year I-Men Award. Charles married Elizabeth (Betty) Vernon December 20, 1952. After receiving his MBA, he worked in the automotive industry with Chrysler Corp. and Peugeot of France. He then served as Director of Finance for Glenmore Distilleries in Louisville, KY, retiring in 1979. Charles was a member of Carmel Lutheran Church, the Indiana Stamp Club, the Lighthouse Society and was an avid Bridge player. A Memorial Service will be held Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. at Carmel Lutheran Church, 4850 E. 131st St., Carmel, IN. Charles is survived by his loving wife, Betty of 56 years; devoted children, Kathy Ray-Huffman, Carmel, IN, David (Susan) Ray and Michael (Anne) Ray, Encinitas CA; six grandchildren, Julie Ray, Ryan Huffman, Erik Ray, Alex Ray, Hannah Ray and Sophie Ray. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Concordia Theological Seminary, Attn: Gary Nahrwald, 6600 N. Clinton, Fort Wayne, IN 46825. Final arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel.