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Edward Hammond

Edward W. (Duke) Hammond, 85, of Coldwater, Ohio, died Saturday, November 10, 2007 at the Gardens of St. Henry. He was born February 26, 1922, in New York, NY to the late Wilson P and Helen (Golden) Hammond. He married Jane (Sowar) Hammond on May 2, 1946 in Seattle, WA and she died October 2, 1995. He is survived by five children: Mark (Linda) Hammond of Barrington, Ill., Patricia (Richard) Wuebker of Centerville, Ohio, Marcia (Jay) Koepfle of Mason, Ohio, Joseph (Colleen) Hammond of Mason, Ohio and Jean (Jack) Gruenhagen of Columbus, Ohio and 10 grandchildren. He is preceded in death by three infant children: Mary, Paul and Teresa. He attended Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Coldwater. He was a Naval Aviator in the US Navy serving during WWII, a member of the Coldwater American Legion Post 470, Mercer County Elks Lodge #2170 and past Exalted Ruler. Duke earned a bachelors degree from Colgate University and a master's degree from Indiana University. He taught at Latin, World History and Drivers' Education at Coldwater High School for 37 years and was Athletic Director for 16 years and was inducted into the Ohio High School Athletic Hall of Fame for his work as an Athletic Director.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at Holy Trinity Catholic Church on Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2007, at with the Rev. Richard Walling officiating. Burial was at St. Elizabeth Cemetery, in Coldwater. Memorials can be made to American Cancer Society or the Coldwater Athletic Boosters.

Hogekamp Funeral Home, in Coldwater, handled arrangements.