



Richard F. Packard, Sr.
longtime Littleton resident; 90

LITTLETON - Richard F. Packard, Sr., a longtime Littleton resident passed away peacefully on Saturday, February 17, 2018 at home with his wife by his side. He was 90 years old.

Richard was born in Lewiston, ME on September 14, 1927, a son to the late Charles and Lillian (Woodbury) Packard. Upon graduation from Brattleboro Union High School in Vermont, Richard honorably served his country in the [U.S. Navy](#) as an electronics technician.

Richard met his wife, Bernice (Ellis) at a square dance at the Seamen's Club in Boston. The couple celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary on February 12, 2018. They were married at the Unitarian Church in Littleton, and began their married life at Bates College in Maine. Richard and his family moved to Massachusetts, where he was a technician for Raytheon and for MIT's Lincoln Lab. He also worked as a radio frequency engineer in Maryland at the Glenn L. Martin Co. and at the Research Division of Electronic Communications, Inc. He obtained a bachelor of science in 1961 from McCoy College, Johns Hopkins University. Richard then joined the MITRE Corporation in Massachusetts as a radar engineer and remained until his retirement as a group leader in 1991.

Richard spent his retirement years as a volunteer: treasurer for the Littleton Historical Society and as a worker and board member of the Loaves and Fishes food pantry at Devens, MA.

In addition to his loving wife, Richard is survived by his children; Richard F. Packard,

Jr.; Irene Coyle and her husband Harold P. Coyle, Jr.; Holly P. Bell and her husband, Samuel D. Bell; and Ashley B. Packard; his grandchildren, Richard F. Packard III and his wife Teresa Packard; Amber Girard; Marjorie Bell and her fiancé Richard Perry; Jessica Packard and her fiancé Kaitlen Adams; Carolyn Bell; Brian Packard and Daniel Packard; and his great-grandchildren, Skyler Girard, Kelsey Girard, Riley Packard, and Katelyn Packard. Richard is further survived by his siblings; Charles Packard and Harriet Guinn. He was predeceased by his brother, John Packard.

Funeral services for Richard are private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: The Boy Scouts of America, 1325 West Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Arrangements entrusted to the care of the Badger Funeral Home, 347 King Street, LITTLETON.

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