

George W. Dewey ... of Littleton, had tax practice in town, World War II veteran; 86

LITTLETON — George W. Dewey, 86, a Littleton resident who had his own tax practice in town and was a World War II veteran, died Friday, Aug. 18, at

Nashoba Valley Medical Center in Ayer.

He was born in Torrington, Conn., July 9, 1920, son of the late Frank Arthur and Louisa Julia (Goodsell) Dewey. He was raised and educated in Winsted, Conn., and graduated from Gilbert High School. He later attended Northeastern University, where he received his degree in accounting with honors in 1943.

During World War II, after midshipman training at Notre Dame University, he was commissioned in the Navy Supply Corps with training at Harvard Business School. He served at several Navy facilities and aboard a cargo ship in the Pacific.

On Oct. 23, 1943, he married Louise P. Cheverie of Hyde Park, with whom he shared 63 years of marriage.

Mr. Dewey received his license to practice as a certified public accountant in 1950 and worked for a Boston accounting firm. He then spent the next 20 years in various controllership positions in industry. He established his own tax practice in 1995 in Littleton and completed his last "tax session" this year.

In the 1950s, the Deweys lived in Houghs Neck section of Quincy, where he served as president of two local PTA's and citywide PTA Council. He was active in the Republican Party in both Quincy and Littleton, and was a convention delegate many times including serving as a vote tabulator.

His most important avocation was genealogy, beginning at age 11. Upon moving to Littleton in 1962, he began to accumulate references to Littleton families. In

1991, he began to computerize the vital records for Littleton including data from "Families of Color in Nashoba Valley."

Mr. Dewey served six years on the Littleton Library Board, several as chairman and he also served on the Littleton Scholarship Trust. He was an active member of the St. Anne Parish, serving as lector, participating in living room dialogue and Cursillo, as a leader of the charismatic renewal group and home bible study.

Besides his beloved wife, he is survived by 10 children and their spouses, Annemarie of New Orleans, George W. "Billy" Dewey Jr. and Genevieve "Bonnie" Dewey of Littleton, Thomas and Donna of Ashby, Mary Louise "Marylou" and Ronald DeFilippo of Ayer, Joan and Frederick Schwerin of Littleton, Kathleen and William McKinnon of Leominster, John and Lydia of South Africa, Richard and Margie of Fitchburg, Michael of Littleton, and Elaine (Scylyvian) and David LaMachia of Pepperell.

He is also survived by his grandchildren, Michelle Bergeron, Kathi Bray, Jason, Alden and Chrissy Dewey, Jessica, Joseph and James DeFilippo, Andrew Schwerin, Joshua and Rachel McKinnon, Belinda, Jonathan and Gabrielle Bouwer, Rebecca Pitre, Jessica Dewey, Alicia Backholm, Jonathan and Jade Dewey, and Stephanie Scylyvian; his great-grandchildren, Ryan Bray, Colby Kazangian, Timothy Dewey, Darius Pitre, and Damon Backholm; and a sister, Eunice Hewitt of Winsted, Conn.

He was also the brother of the late Arthur, Donald, and Julia Hoffman, and father-in-law of the late William "Billy" Scylyvian.

DEWEY — of Littleton, George W. on Aug. 18. Beloved husband of Louise (Cheverie). Visiting hours will be at Badger Funeral Home, 347 King St. (Rte. 2A/110), Littleton on Tues. 2-4 & 7-9 p.m. with a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Anne Catholic Church, Littleton on Wed. at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to the Littleton Historical Society, P.O. Box 721, Littleton, MA 01460.

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