

## OBITUARY

### **Frederick G. Adams**

Frederick G. Adams, 73, of Spring Lake Heights, died Sept. 9, at home.

Born Feb. 23, 1928, he was the son of the late Mabel G. Adams of Hackettstown and Fred R. Adams of St. Petersburg, Fla.

As a fifth grade student in Hackettstown, he was a member of the 1938 National Elementary School Orchestra playing the flute. While in grade school, he was a local soloist for many school and church functions. In high school he was a member of the 1943 undefeated football team and also lettered in basketball. Graduating in 1945 he went to Lehigh University and earned the bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering in June 1948.

He was employed in the aircraft electronics industry specializing in the design of automated aircraft controls such as autopilots and automated landing systems. He was also involved in the certification process for commercial aircraft both in the United States and England. Concurrent with his work activity he did post graduate work at night at Columbia, Stevens, and Fairleigh Dickinson universities. His last patent, issued in 2001 on advanced electronic testing, was a joint effort with his son, Dr. Adams.

He was an adult Scout Troop leader in Leonia and Montvale for 10 years. These troops specialized in winter camp outs and hiking in Harriman State Park. He was an avid sportsman that included skiing, golf, and boating. He was a member of Independence Lodge #42 F & AM and served as treasurer of Demolay Commandery No. 6 for many years.

Upon retirement he returned to his musical interests and played the alto saxophone regularly with several bands at the Jersey Shore entertaining summer tourists along the boardwalks and in the town parks.

One of his greatest joys was playing with and directing the Adams quartet (while in Vermont) which included his granddaughter on clarinet, grandson on trumpet, and son on the baritone horn. The quartet was completed by his leading with either the flute or alto saxophone.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara M. Adams of Spring Lake Heights; his son, R. Dean Adams and wife Johanne; grandson, Daniel; and granddaughter, Michelle all of Vermont.

Services were held at Cochran's Funeral Home in Hackettstown.

Interment was at Hackettstown Union Cemetery.

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