

OBITUARY

Dr. C. (Carrol) Dean Starr died on December 6, 2015 at The House of the Good Shepherd in Hackettstown, NJ. He was 94 years old. Dr. Starr was born in Tulare, South Dakota to Martha (Tasche) and Orrin L. Starr, and he grew up in Deadwood, South Dakota. He graduated from Deadwood High School in 1939, and earned a B.S. in Metallurgical Engineering from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, graduating with honors in 1943. During World War II, he served his country in the United States Navy on the USS Grafton, an attack amphibious ship. His deployments included Pearl Harbor, Inawetauk, Palau, Saipan, Guam, Manila, and Japan. On his return to the United States, he married the love of his life, Barbara Jane "Suze" Clements. Dean returned to school at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City where he earned an MS degree, graduating with highest honors, and then entered the PhD. program, again graduating with highest honors in the field of Metallurgical Engineering. Dr. Starr was an internationally known expert in the field of Nickel and Nickel Chromium alloys. He was a Research Professor at the University of California at Berkley, and then became the Vice President and Technical Director at the Wilbur B. Driver Co in Newark, NJ. He also continued teaching as a visiting professor at Stevens Institute of Technology, where he taught graduate classes in Metallurgy. Dr. Starr held 11 federal patents, 15 Disclosure Awards from GTE, and had over 70 technical papers published. He won many awards during his distinguished career, including the Sam Tour Award, The Distinguished Alumni Award from SDSM&T, the Centennial Award of 100 Top Engineers from SDSM&T, and he was named a Fellow in the ASM International in 1972. Nothing was more important, however, to Dean than his family and he was a loving and devoted father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He was the beloved father of Rick Starr and his wife Joyce Richman, Lorinda (Rindy) Starr Ravo and her husband Alan, Julie Ann Starr and her husband George Coggeshall, and Curtis Starr and his partner Natalie Brady. He was the cherished grandfather of Nathaniel Ravo and his wife, Stacey; Jillian Starr Coggeshall and her husband A.J. Graham; Torey Starr Ravo; Jana Starr Coggeshall and her husband Matt Thompson; Cassie Ravo and her husband Nathan Wiehe; and Adam Starr Coggeshall and his girlfriend Naomi Countryman. He is also survived by 6 great-grandchildren, Charlie Dean, Cordelia Starr, Harper Suze, Lucas Alan, Adalynn Grace, and Baby boy Graham, who will be born in April, 2016. He is also survived by his sister Bonnie Roetzler and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his beloved Suze, with whom he shared a 63 year long love story until her death in 2009; his brothers Marvin, Dale, Wayne, his twin brother C. Gene, and his sister Bette Hauk. Dean's family also wants to thank the caring and compassionate staff at House of the Good Shepherd in Hackettstown, NJ, and his very loving and devoted CAREgivers of Home Instead Senior Care who filled his last year with comfort and happiness. Funeral arrangements were private, and a memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Starr Scholarship Fund at South Dakota School of Mines and Technology Foundation, 306 East St. Joseph Street, Suite 200, Rapid City, South Dakota, 57701; to the First Presbyterian Church of Hackettstown, 298 Main Street, Hackettstown, NJ; or to the [charity of your choice](#) .

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