

**Irving L. Selvage Jr.(1920 - 2016)**

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SCARBOROUGH - Irving (Ernie) L. Selvage Jr., resident of Piper Shores in Scarborough, passed away on Aug. 15, 2016. Ernie was born on March 28, 1920, in Newark, N.J., and grew up in Essex Fells, N.J. He graduated from Williams College in 1942 and received an M.D. in 1945 from Cornell University Medical College, where he met his wife, Carol (Tommy) Tompkins Selvage. He served in the Army Medical Corps in Texas, Valley Forge, and Seoul, Korea. Following his residency in Philadelphia, he moved his family to Presque Isle in 1951, where he was the radiologist for hospitals in Presque Isle, Caribou, Fort Fairfield, and Houlton. From 1955-1985 Ernie enjoyed a fulfilling career in the radiology department at the Maine Medical Center in Portland.

While living in Cape Elizabeth, he and his wife raised four children, were very engaged with the Greater Portland community, and shared a love of music, sailing and skiing. He was a deacon of State Street Church, a tenor in the choir, and a supportive alumnus of Williams College. Ernie's witty limericks enlivened many special occasions for friends and family, and his entertaining research papers animated Fraternity Club meetings.

In retirement, his creativity flourished in watercolor classes and his woodshop where he made whirligigs, birdfeeders, and toys for family and church benefits. His passion for tying nautical knots included making Turk's head bracelets on many children's wrists. He also remained active on his boat, with doubles tennis, and in the garden where he nurtured and shared hundreds of tomato seedlings. Since moving to the Piper Shores community in 2001, Ernie and his wife enjoyed the companionship of old and new friends and the beautiful setting.

Ernie's generosity, humor and the special twinkle in his eye will always be treasured by family and friends.

He was predeceased in April by his beloved wife, Carol (Tommy) Tompkins Selvage, after 72 years of marriage.

His surviving family includes his children (their spouses), Nancy Selvage (Warren Mather), Christopher Selvage, Elizabeth Lamoureux (Alain Lamoureux), and Pam Coulling (Keith Coulling); his grandchildren (their spouses), Eli Mather (Phoebe Beierle), Alex Coulling, and Katey Campbell (Zach Campbell); and his new great-grandchild, Quinn Mather.

The family would like to thank his loving caregivers and the Piper Shores staff for their friendship, kindness, support, and patience.

Visiting hours will be from 4-5:30 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 28, at

Hobbs Funeral Home

, 230 Cottage Rd., South Portland. A memorial reception will be held at Piper Shores on Monday, Aug. 29, from 4-6 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, please  
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or a charity of your choice .

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