



Louis Putnam Willsea II

April 1, 1925 - February 21, 2015

April 1, 1925 - February 21, 2015. Predeceased by his wife, Macie (Mary Ada Chase) Willsea, and his grandson, Ronan Willsea. He is survived by his sons, Peter H. (Deb) Willsea and Paul C. (Carol O'Brien) Willsea; grandchildren, Jennifer Willsea, Ben Willsea, Sam Willsea, Will Willsea, Claire Willsea and Flynn Willsea.

Louis attended Monroe High School, then Northfield-Mt. Hermon and Wesleyan University in Connecticut. He served in the US Navy during WWII and was President of The Willsea Works, then Wilco Sales Corp. which he founded and then ran with his son Peter until 2003.

A witty and stylish man, Louis was a student of history and was an avid researcher of the many things that caught his interest. His numerous hobbies included furniture making and refinishing, fishing and in his latter years cross-stitch. His upbeat approach to each day was an inspiration to family and those who knew him.

The family will hold a private memorial service at a future date to be determined.

Comments



“ I had the opportunity to work at Wilco, my first job out of High school. It was a great experience and a great group of people to work for!

Sue Thornberg-Towey - March 02, 2015 at 09:25 AM



“ I am sending my sympathy to all of the family. My association with your family was through my husband, Gene (11/02/1920 - 02/25/2014), and his friendship with Macie which began with tending the gardens at the George Eastman house. (It was nice to learn the origin of her nickname. I bet Gene never knew that.) Gene missed Macie and her vivacious personality and thought Louie would, too. Gene did have one phone conversation with Louie, and thought of perhaps having lunch together sometime, but Gene's health never allowed that. That is a great photo. I hope your happy memories will linger, and the sadness will lessen in time.
Carol Samuel

Carol Samuel - March 02, 2015 at 08:40 AM



“ Louis was just about the most interesting person I have encountered here at Cloverwood. No matter the subject he always had something of interest to add. And when he got back to his room, he went to his computer found more and would send it along to me. I wish I had known him for a longer period of time. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.
Kirby Milton

Kirby M. Milton - March 01, 2015 at 05:00 PM



“ Our sympathies and prayers to the family. I have good memories of the Wilco days.

Jim Lill - March 01, 2015 at 09:42 AM