

Seneca, KS



William (Bill) M. Gleason, 93, of Seneca, KS passed away peacefully, of natural causes, on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at the Nemaha Valley Community Hospital in Seneca.

Bill was born on February 2, 1925 in Goff, KS to William Gleason Sr and Sarah (Jones) Gleason, who both preceded him in death. Bill grew up in Goff community; attending and graduating from Goff High School. As a young man, he helped his father at family car dealership.

Bill was a veteran of World War II, at the age of 18 Bill joined the United States Navy. He served his country and attained the rank of Aviation Cadet V-5; he was discharged on June 30, 1947. Bill returned to Nemaha County and continued the Chevrolet car dealership, owning Gleason Chevrolet for over 40 years. He was also a volunteer firefighter, and served on numerous community boards and organizations for many years.

Bill loved to hunt and fish, attend car races, build and fly remote control model airplanes, and sing and dance. In his later years, he endlessly drove around the streets of Seneca, visiting many places and friends. He may not have always known where he was going, but was always in a hurry to get there as well as in a hurry to leave.

On October 28, 1945 Bill married Evelyn (Goodman). They were married for 67 years before she passed. They had three children who survive, Sondra Rogers (husband Kent passed in 2017), Roger and Jolene (Davin) Gleason and Dennis and Betty (Jones) Gleason.

Preceding him in death were his brother, Mike and sisters, Faye Jean (Dean) and an infant sister, Dorothy Mae. Surviving siblings are Alvin and his wife Lilah and Steve and his wife Nancy.

He is also survived by grandchildren, Randall Rogers and his wife Cindy, Kirby Rogers and his wife Christina, Scott Gleason and his wife Amy, Eric Rogers, and Melinda (Gleason) Rocheleau and her husband Nathan; and nine great grandchildren.

A visitation will be held on Monday, December 10th from 2-3 PM at Lauer Funeral Home; a

funeral service will be held at 3'oclock, also at the Funeral Home. Military Honors will conclude the burial at the Seneca City Cemetery.

Memorials can be sent to American Legion Post #21 or Seneca Fire Department.