



## Obituary

# Guy E. Alexander, 97, pilot with an interest in cars

SUNAPEE – Guy E. Alexander, 97, of Sunapee, passed away after a period of failing health on March 8, 2016.

Guy was born in Sunapee on January 11, 1919, the son of Ralph and Ella Alexander. He attended Sunapee schools, graduating in 1937. He attended UNH majoring in business administration and upon graduation he joined the Marine Corps and completed officer training as a second lieutenant.

He was married to Elizabeth Chandler in March of 1942 and after advanced Marine Corps training, was shipped to the Pacific theater of WWII as a platoon officer in an engineering battalion of the 1st Marine Division. He served in the Guadalcanal and Cape Gloucester



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campaigns preparing airfields and doing bomb disposal work, returning to the states in August, 1944. After separating from active duty in 1945, he returned to Sunapee to join his father in the manufacture of wooden rakes, and then later, wooden crutches. He ran the company, Geo. E. Alexander & Son, from 1952 until its closure in December, 1993.

Guy was an active pilot from 1941 until 2012 and was engaged in many of the activities and improvements at Parlin Field in Newport. He was a member of AOPA and the Aviation Association of New Hampshire. He served for 30 years as a Sunapee School Board member. He was a volunteer Sunapee fireman

for many years and was a charter member of the Sunapee Lions Club. He served on the boards of the Sunapee Mutual Fire Insurance Company, the Concord Mutual Insurance Group, the Claremont Vo-Tec Advisory Board and the Sunapee Harbor Riverway. From his early teen years he had an interest in cars and was a member of the Mercedes-Benz Club of America.

He was predeceased by his wife of 68 years, Elizabeth and by a daughter Catherine.

He is survived by son Guy Jr.; daughters Elizabeth Trainor and Christine Alexander; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Calling hours will be held Saturday, March 12, from 3-5 p.m. at Chadwick Funeral Home, 235 Main Street, New London.

A memorial gathering will be held at a future date.