



Russel J. Zeller

September 14, 2006

Russel J. ZELLER, Age 81, of Hamilton, died Thursday, September 14, 2006 at 8:45 p.m. at Vitas Hospice at Ft. Hamilton Hospital. He was born in Hamilton, on October 4, 1924, the son of Russel A. and Harriett (Wickard) Zeller. He was a graduate of Hamilton High School. He was Honorably Discharged from the U. S. Navy as a Pharmacists Mate 3rd Class serving in WWII from July 5, 1943 to March 27, 1946. He served with the Sea Bees in the Pacific Theater. He married Thelma M. Schmerr in Hamilton on March 14, 1953 and she preceded him in death on August 28, 2006. He was manager of Utility and Data Processing Department with the City of Hamilton for 43 years retiring in 1990. He attended Immanuel Lutheran Church. He was a former member of Hamilton Exchange Club, a member of the Hugh L. Bates Lodge, No. 686, F.& A.M. and a member of the Fitton Center. He is survived by his daughter, Kristi Karwisch and husband Bill of Hamilton; a son, Robert Zeller of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; four grandchildren, Brian and wife Leah Karwisch, Kristofer Karwisch, Kari Karwisch, Daniel Karwisch and a sister, Ruth Brown of Hamilton. He was preceded in death by his parents, and his wife, Thelma. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, September 18, 2006 at Weigel Funeral Home, 980 N. W. Washington Blvd., Hamilton, Ohio, with Pastor Kevin Jud officiating. Visitation will be Monday from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 644 Linn St., Suite 1026, Cincinnati, Ohio 45203 or Vitas Hospice Charitable Fund, 11500 Northlake Drive, Suite 400, Cincinnati,

Ohio 45249.