



## Robert E. Karp

August 26, 1920 - June 16, 2011

Robert E. Karp of Cadillac died Thursday evening, June 16, 2011 in Hillsdale, Michigan. He was 90. He was born August 26, 1920 in Detroit to Rudolph C. & Lillian L. (Wendt) Karp.

Mr. Karp was a Veteran of World War II serving in the United States Navy. He was a Mechanical Engineer graduate of Ford Trade School and had been employed as General Manager of Ford Motors Steel Division and retired in 1980. He was a former member of the Cadillac Country Club and the Royal Palm Country Club in Naples, Florida and a Life member of the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers of Detroit and a member of the American Society of Tool Manufacturing Engineers. He was a charter member of Peace Lutheran Church in Southfield, Michigan and while in Cadillac he was a member of Zion Lutheran Church and in Naples, Florida he was a member of Faith Lutheran Church. Mr. Karp was an avid reader, he loved sports and working and was a world traveler.

On April 10, 1943 in Detroit he married the former Jean M. Perlick and she survives along with their children: Robert C. (Kathleen) Karp of Seattle, WA, Marsha (Brian) Evenson of Hudson, MI, and Karen (Robert) Mellott of Bloomfield, MI; 5 grandchildren; 6 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held 1:00PM Friday, June 24, 2011 at the Zion

Lutheran Church in Cadillac with Reverend Scott Torkko officiating. Friends may meet the family from 5-7 PM Thursday at the Peterson Funeral Home in Cadillac. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to: Zion Lutheran Church of Cadillac, Faith Lutheran Church of Naples, FL or to Peace Lutheran Church in Southfield, MI. An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Tribute Wall

CM

“ I had the pleasure of working for Bob and Jean. Bob was a very kind and witty man. I will cherish the memories of him always.

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**Connie Miller** - August 14, 2011 at 03:51 PM

AC

“ I worked for Mr. Karp and was so lucky to work for a "gentleman"  
.I also had the pleasure of knowing his wife and family and will always have a wonderful memory of all of them.

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**Anna M. Cassar** - June 26, 2011 at 11:52 AM

RB

“ My sympathy to the family. I knew Bob for a long time at Ford, going back to 1956.

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**Ray Becker** - June 25, 2011 at 11:30 AM

FD

“ My sympathy and condolences to Bob's wife and family. Bob was my manager at Ford Steel Division. His kindness and guidance was so helpful in my early career on his staff.  
*Frank DeFranceschi*

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**Frank DeFranceschi** - June 24, 2011 at 09:12 AM

TB

“ Bob was a real gentleman. The family is in our prayers.

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**Tom & Lois Beaudrie** - June 23, 2011 at 09:00 AM

CB

“ *Bob was a Christian gentleman. We'  
Il miss his friendly ways. May the God of all comfort be with Jean  
and family.*

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**Chic and Nancy Broersma** - June 21, 2011 at 10:42 AM