



Harold H. Heinrich

July 12, 2012

Harold H. Heinrich, 80, of Alachua, FL died peacefully in his home on 12/12/11 with his wife Sandy at his bedside. The Heinrichs have lived in the Gainesville area since 1988. Harold retired from Classification at the Alachua County Jail in 2003.

He was born 6/4/1931 in Vinland Kansas, the youngest of five children, to Carl and Alma (Hoskinson) Heinrich. A graduate of Kansas University on a Naval ROTC scholarship, he served in the Navy during the Korean era. In 1952 he married Marlene Underwood, the mother of his two children, Ann and Steve. In 1972 he married Sandy (White) Billingsley of Abilene, Kansas and adopted her children, Cathy, Bruce, and Becky. Harold became a Friend of Bill W in 1973. In 1980 he left the business world to become an addiction counselor. The second half of his life was devoted to sharing his recovery and his faith in Jesus Christ. A kind and loving man, he touched many lives in his life journey and dearly loved his family and friends. During the last seven years battling serious health problems, his courage, patience and love were a witness to all who knew him. He was a member of Trinity UMC Gainesville and was a lay speaker in the Kansas UMC Conference.

His parents; siblings, Juanita, Louis, Margaret, Helen; and step-grandson David preceded him in death. He is survived by Sandy, his wife of 39 years; three daughters, Ann Raw (Jerry), Linwood KS; Cathy Murphy (Shawn), Roswell GA; Becky Steinhauser (Neal), Bonner Springs, KS; two sons, Steve Heinrich, Lawrence KS; Bruce Heinrich, Topeka, KS; fifteen grandchildren;

three great grandchildren; sister-in-law Mabel Heinrich Hagerman, Lawrence, KS; several nieces and nephews. A Celebration of Life service will be held January 18, 2012 at 11 AM in the Trinity UMC Worship Center, 4000 NW 53rd Avenue, Gainesville. His ashes will be placed in the Memorial Garden at Trinity UMC. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to The Harold Heinrich Memorial at Trinity UMC.

The family expresses their appreciation for the wonderful care given to Harold by the doctors and staff at Shands Hospital, Shands Homecare and Haven Hospice over the past seven years.