



Remembering our brothers who have passed from this life

Melvin D. Wolfberg, '44

6/24/1926 - 4/21/2015



Melvin attended AMA just one year, 1943-1944.

“Wolf,” and it means what the name implies, is one of our best athletes, He is an insurance of success and we feel that the Navy will have a boom season with this donation from A.M.A. Seeing him go is one of the saddest things that we have to experience, but we feel sure that he will enter other’s hearts, as he has held his place in ours.

Dr. Melvin D. Wolfberg, 88, formerly of Selinsgrove, passed away on April 21, 2015, in Port St. Lucie, Fla.

He was born June 24, 1926, in Altoona, a son of the late Clara Schiffman and Max Wolfberg.

Melvin served in the Army Infantry under General George Patton in central Europe in World War II, and received the Silver Star, Bronze Star and Purple Heart.

Following his military service and graduating from Penn State University and Pennsylvania College of Optometry, he entered the practice of optometry in Selinsgrove.

During his 25 years practicing in Selinsgrove, he was active within his community with the Selinsgrove United Fund, Community Center Board, Boy Scouts of America, Susquehanna Valley Heart Association, Selinsgrove P.T.A., Snyder County American Cancer Society, Rotary Club, and the Selinsgrove Borough Council.

Melvin served in many capacities at every level of his State and National Professional Associations. He served as president of the Pennsylvania Optometric Association as well as attaining optometry’s highest honor, the 48th president of the 15,000 member of the American Optometric Association in 1969.

Following this successful career he accepted the position as president of Pennsylvania College of Optometry in Philadelphia where he served for 10 years. Finally, Melvin accepted the position of vice president of Bausch and Lomb where he consulted for two years before retiring in



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Florida.

Melvin was renowned for his expertise in optometric history and practice management. He served his profession as a leader, teacher, writer and mentor.

He is survived by his wife and partner of 40 years, Linda Machesic; his first wife, Audrey Wolfberg; three children, Debra Mease, Michael Wolfberg and Daniel Wolfberg; stepdaughter, Lisa Hubbard; one brother, Stephen Wolfberg; and one sister, Harriet Nicolay; He was preceded in death by two brothers, Calvin "Jerry" and Jay Wolfberg.

There will be no local service. Internment will take place in Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors. His family asks that you make memorial contributions to your favorite charity.