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John L. "Jack" Jennings (1925-2018)

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John "Jack" Jennings

WATERLOO — John L. "Jack" Jennings, 93, of Independence, formerly of Waterloo, died Friday, Jan. 26, ABCM Rehabilitation Centers of Independence East Campus of natural causes.

He was born Jan. 13, 1925, in Waterloo, son of Leonard John and Elva Rigdon Jennings. He married Juanita Widdel; they later divorced. He then married Patricia "Patty" Dietz in August 1988; she died Feb. 18, 2016.

He graduated from East High School. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II on the Liberty Ship S.S. Hitchcock. After returning from war, he played baseball at Iowa State Teachers College in 1946. He later went on to sign a professional minor-league baseball contract with the Chicago White Sox in 1947. Jack was a firefighter with the city of Waterloo for 35 years, retiring as officer in 1985. He was a member of Sacred Heart Church in Waterloo.

Survived by: two sons, Richard (Barbara Powell) of Columbia, S.C., and Jeffrey of Washington State; four grandchildren, Christopher, David, Michelle and Amanda; three great-grandchildren, Madison, Cole and Declan; a brother, Stanley of North Carolina

Preceded in death by: his wife; his parents; and a sister, Beverly Jennings.

Services: to be announced, with burial in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

Memorials: may be directed to the Greg Freshwater Memorial Scholarship Fund, Waterloo Community Foundation, P.O. Box 1253, Waterloo 50704.

Condolences may be left at www.LockeFuneralHome.com

Jack loved hunting and fishing.

