

CPL Minot N. Richardson

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LAKELAND FL - Minot Neal Richardson, age 96, passed away August 12, 2021 at Good Shepherd Hospice in Lakeland Florida. He was born April 23, 1925 in Oshkosh to Myles and Viola Richardson.

Minot served in the U.S. Army during WWII and was wounded in the Battle of the Bulge. He received the Purple Heart, Bronze Star and the French Legion of Merit awards. His dedication and unwavering support of the armed forces through his many Veterans Day and Memorial Day remembrances will be sorely missed.

Upon his return from the war, Minot soon married Bette Hopp of Omro and together they raised a family of 2 sons and a daughter. Through the years he was a Scoutmaster at Sacred Heart Church. He was an avid golfer, motorcyclist and Green Bay Packers fan. Later in life he obtained his private pilot's license, instrument rated, and served as President of the Fox Valley Flying Club. He retired from Rockwell International and he and Bette moved to Lakeland, Florida to get away from the snow and cold weather. They lived a very rewarding life in Heatherwood Retirement Community, where Minot was the bingo caller and started an annual celebration each year for Veterans Day and Memorial Day. He was a member of the Quiet Birdmen and the Veterans of Battle of the Bulge. Minot was loved and respected by all whose lives he touched.

His beloved wife Bette passed away in March of 2000. He met Vera Davies many years later and they married on August 31, 2018. Together they lived very happily until his passing.

He was preceded in death by his wife Elizabeth (Bette) Jane Richardson and a sister Patricia Lucht.

He is survived by his wife, Vera Davies Richardson, Lakeland FL, 3 children, David (Edie) Richardson, Elizabethtown KY, Mike (Nancy) Richardson, Necedah, WI, and Deborah Zimmerman, Manitowoc WI, 4 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

CORPORAL WOUNDED IN LUXEMBOURG JAN. 4

Mr. and Mrs. Myles L. Richardson, 26 Ashland avenue, were informed by a war department telegram late last week that their son, Cpl. Minot N. Richardson, was seriously wounded in action Jan. 4 in Luxembourg. The message also stated that his mail address will follow directly from the hospital where he is being cared for, with further details.

In six months the young Oshkosh soldier has received a promotion, a transfer and the injury. He was promoted from private first class to corporal and then was transferred from the engineers to the infantry. Corporal Richardson has been in service a year and a half, entering in July of 1943.

Cpl. Minot N. Richardson, 80 Powers avenue, was with the combat engineers of the infantry and was awarded the victory medal, American theater service ribbon, ETO service ribbon with four bronze stars, good conduct medal, purple heart and one overseas service bar. He entered service June 24, 1943.

The purple heart medal awarded Cpl. Minot Richardson for wounds received in action Jan. 4 has been forwarded to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Myles Richardson, 26 Ashland avenue. Corporal Richardson is now in a hospital in England.