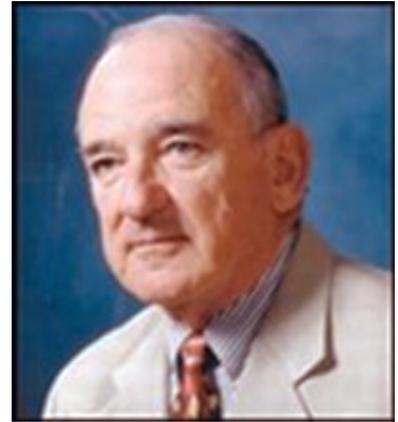


Gene Lynn

Gene was born in Monticello Wisconsin October 27, 1931 and died Aug, 23, 2018 in Tacoma, WA. He studied engineering and law at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and after graduating joined the U.S. Army as a lieutenant where he was stationed in the Pacific Northwest. His first assignment was in Alaska overseeing the construction of the Defense Early Warning line (DEW Line). It was while there he developed an appreciation of the beauty of the state, and his passion for salmon fishing in the pristine rivers of Alaska.



Upon leaving the Army, Gene worked in real estate development, and developed Somerset in Bellevue, WA. In 1962 he became interested in senior housing, and started Careage, a real estate development, construction, leasing and operations company, which specialized in care for the aged. He built over 400 nursing homes, assisted living facilities as well as hospitals and medical office buildings in 26 states. He continued to work in his company until 6 months before his death.

Gene served on many Boards, and served as a Regent and Trustee for Seattle University for twenty-four years, being the recipient of Seattle U. Alumni Assoc. Distinguished Service Award. He was a former Board Member of Seattle Prep and Forest Ridge Academy. He is the last surviving founding member of Sahalee Golf Course in Sammamish, WA and assisted in supporting the development of American Lakes Veterans Course designed by Jack Nicholas. He also developed Rock Creek Golf Course in Portland OR.

He was a philanthropist and established the Monticello Public Library in his home town, supported the establishment of Seattle University School of Nursing, and is a contributor to many local charities and hospitals. He was an avid collector of Western Art.

He is survived by his loving wife Evelyn (Evie), three children, Jeff Lynn (Lisa), Traci Kennedy (Bill) and Jody Moss, two stepchildren, John Hogan (Christina) and Heidi Hogan (Brian Clapton), thirteen grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

His burial will be a private family ceremony, with a celebration of his life on September 16, at 1:00 pm at Tacoma Golf and Country Club, Lakewood, WA.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the American Lake Veterans Golf Course, 9600 Veterans Drive SW, Lakewood, WA 98493.