

Harold Kenneth Reynolds, (24 Mar 1921 – 17 Oct 2009), Perry County Times, Thursday, October 29, 2009

Harold Kenneth "Deak" Reynolds, 88, died Saturday, Oct. 17, 2009, at his home in St. Mary's City, Md.

A native of Oklahoma, he was born March 24, 1921 in Valliant, Okla., to **Walter** and **Violet Reynolds**.

He attended Northwestern University and Michigan State University, where he earned a master's degree.

During World War II, he served in the infantry in North Africa, Sicily, Italy, France, Germany and Austria. After hostilities ceased, he commanded a battalion in the Army Constabulary. He pursued a career in the Army, serving in the Seventh Infantry Division in Korea, then in the United Nations Command, Tokyo. He was provost marshal at West Point, and during the Cuban crisis, he was in the 82nd Airborne Division. He then returned to Europe where he served in V Corps and later as deputy chief of staff, U.S. Army Command Europe. He completed his military career as professor of military studies at the University of Michigan and retired as a colonel and senior parachutist.

After leaving the Army, he joined a Wall Street firm, where he was a member of the New York and American stock exchanges. In 1971, he again changed careers to become dean and later vice president at St. Mary's College of Maryland. During this time, he was honored as one of several top executives selected to attend a special program of studies at the Harvard Business School. After nine years in administration, he resigned to teach economics full-time.

Upon retirement from the college in 1987, he founded Deak Reynolds Company, an investment management firm, which he operated until several years before his death.

He served on school boards at West Point and in Frankfurt and Munich, Germany; was a member of Lexington Park Rotary Club for many years; on the board of directors of St. Mary's Hospital for seven years and was a founding director of St. Mary's College of Maryland Foundation.

He loved golf and was the West Point champion, Fort Bragg champion, V Corps champion and runner-up in the first Army championship. Throughout his life he was fascinated with the art of oriental carpet weaving and collected examples from around the world.

Surviving are his wife of 61 years, **Elizabeth Anne Holman** of New Bloomfield; four children, **Katherine Reynolds Chandler**, **Susan Elizabeth Reynolds**, **Edward Kim Reynolds** and **John Eric Reynolds**; and brother- and sister-in-law, **Carson Edward Richard Holman** and **Martha Lentz Holman** of New Bloomfield and their children and grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, **Richard Kennady Reynolds**.

Services were held Oct. 27 in Trinity Episcopal Church, St. Mary's City. Burial will be in Pennsylvania.

Memorial contributions may be made to the endowment fund at St. Mary's College of Maryland.

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