



## Donald "Jake" Hitchcock

January 24, 1925 - January 29, 2017

Donald E. "Jake" Hitchcock, 92, of Stone Mill Rd. Claverack died Sunday January 29, at Columbia Memorial Hospital. Born January 24, 1925 in Troy, he is the son of Glen and Ruth (Hidley) Hitchcock. Jake worked at the Universal Match Corporation for 38 years, retiring in 1987. He served in the United States Marine Corp and earned numerous awards and accommodations. He was a machine gun crewman for the 1st Marine Division, serving in the Solomon and Russell Islands, Okinawa, and China. He was a member of the VFW, American Legion Post 103 in Punta Gorda FL, Hudson Fish & Game Club, and a long time member of the Columbia Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. Donald enjoyed bowling and camping and fishing in the Adirondacks.

Survivors include his beloved wife of 71 years, Catherine "Kate" (Thomas) Hitchcock, sister Dorthea Ressler, and several nieces and nephews, and great nieces and nephews. Services will be Wednesday February 1, at 11:00, graveside in Cedar Park Cemetery. Arrangements are with Bates & Anderson-Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home.

Donations in memory of Jake may be made to Patriot Flight Inc. P.O. Box 190 Delmar, NY 12054. Condolences may be sent to Mrs. Donald Hitchcock 146 Stone Mill Rd Hudson, NY 12534