

## **Oiva Edwin Karvonen**

*A U.S. Air Force veteran of WWII, a deacon, and a flight safety inspector.*

Oiva Edwin Karvonen, 84, of Otto, died Wednesday, Dec. 11, at a local nursing home. He was born in Westminster, Maine, the son of the late John Ilmer and Susan Karvonen.

He was a U.S. Air Force veteran of WWII where he was a pilot; he also served in the Korean Conflict. He was a retired flight safety inspector for the Federal Aviation Administration and a member of the Coweeta Baptist Church where he served as a deacon.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Lois Kendall Karvonen; one son, John Edwin Karvonen and his wife, Margie, of St. Petersburg, Fla.; one sister, Ellen Thornburgh and her husband, Jack, of Seattle, Wash.; and one grandson.

No services are planned.

Memorials may be made to the Coweeta Church Building Fund or the Coweeta Scholarship Fund, 780 Coweeta Church Road, Otto, NC 28763.

Bryant Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.