

## Obituaries

## Richard B. Sydnor, Jr.

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Richard Barrett Sydnor, Jr., 87, of Rockledge, FL, passed away February 9, 2009.

Mr. Sydnor was born in Huntington and had been a resident of Florida since 1950. He was a graduate of Greenbrier Military School and Rollins College, where he became a member of Sigma NU fraternity. He received a fellowship for graduate study at Emory University.

As a member of the Army Air Corps, World War II, he served some three years in the United States before being sent to India where he met and married the late Boodie Westerman. He was the last Sergeant Major at the India-Burma Theater headquarters. Since 1950, he was active in numerous civic and business matters including the ownership of Brevard Builders, Inc. and Sherwood Realty Corporation. He was a member of the original group that established what was later to become the Space Coast Association of Realtors.

Mr. Sydnor was involved in industrial and residential subdivision development in Brevard County including New Found Harbor, Sea Gate and other subdivisions. He was an original investor in the Central Brevard National Bank, later to become part of the SunTrust system and served as a local director for 33 years. In addition he had served on the Governing Board of Trustees of Wuesthoff Memorial Hospital for 13 years and was a founding director and later President of Cocoa Village Playhouse. He was an organizer of the Central Brevard Chapter of Ducks Unlimited, an international conservation organization. He was an active sportsman, hunting in over a dozen foreign countries on four continents. Mr. Sydnor was a member of B.P.O.E. (Life Member), V.F.W. (Life Member), American Legion (Life Member), and the China-Burma-India Veteran Association (Life Member).

Surviving are son Richard Barrett Sydnor, III, and grandson Shane Westerman Sydnor.

Burial service will be for family members only at Pine Hills Cemetery in Ripley with Waybright Funeral Home of Ripley in charge of arrangements. No calling hours are scheduled. No flowers are requested, but donations may be made to Wuesthoff Memorial Hospital.