

JOHN S. HOLT



John S. Holt, 86, of Jamestown, New York, went home to be with the Lord, December 9, in the Lutheran Retirement Home. A lifelong Jamestown resident, he was born March 5, 1932, a son of the late Clifford and Edna Ostrom Holt.



He was a 1950 graduate of Jamestown High School, received a Bachelor's Degree from Buffalo State University and earned a Master's Degree from St. Bonaventure University. He was a Korean War Veteran of the US Navy serving from 1952-56. Prior to his retirement in 1989, he was employed by Jamestown Public School District as an Industrial Arts Teacher at Jamestown High School.

He was a longtime member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church where he sang in the choir and served on virtually every committee over the years. He currently was a member of First Covenant Church. His other memberships include Gideons Jamestown Camp and Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Camp, where he served on the Board of Directors. He sang in the Living Christmas Tree at First Covenant Church for 24 years.

He enjoyed playing golf however, as a man of faith, his church and his family were his life.

Surviving are his wife Jean Douglas Holt, whom he married November 25, 1955; three children Cynthia (Charles) Reese, Wayne S. Holt and Linda (Kennen) Tillman; five grandchildren Charles S. Reese, Daniel Reese, Allyson Holt, Shaylor (Devin) Tillman and Karis Tillman; a great-granddaughter Emma Reese; sister JoAnn (Don) Anderson; a brother Richard (Cindy) Holt; a sister-in-law Laverne Meeks of Callahan; and two cousins Susan (Terry) Meyers and Paul (Nancy) Holt.

The funeral service was held December 13 in First Covenant Church with Rev. Adam Rohler and Rev. Daniel Rumfelt officiating. Burial followed in Lake View Cemetery.