



Stephen J. Christopher
United States Navy
1944 — 1946

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Stephen was born and raised in Cohoes, NY. He attended Sacred Heart School and graduated from Cohoes High School in the Class of 1944.

He enlisted in the Navy age 17 and was allowed to complete his senior year at Cohoes High School prior to service in the Navy. He left for the Great Lakes Naval Station for boot camp training in early July 1944. He was trained at various sights in the US and later departed for the Pacific Theater. He was stationed on the island of Guam when the bomb was dropped on Japan which ended the war a short time later (August 1945). He was Honorably Discharged in July 1946.

He was employed by Western Electric as a Telephone Central Office Equipment Installer for 1 year. He then went to work for General Electric at the main plant in Schenectady, NY. He worked at the Knolls and West Milton Site. He started as an hourly worker at the main plant. He then became a Field Engineer and Supervisor. He transferred to the Knolls for many years and retired as Lead Planning Specialist for one of the Prototypes at the West Milton Site. He retired with over 37 years with General Electric.

Stephen married his wife Donna in 1953. Together they moved to Halfmoon in 1954 and built their home on farm lands. They have lived in their home in the Town of Halfmoon for 63 years.

They have enjoyed travel to Europe and Mexico. They have also traveled to the Islands of Bermuda, the Bahamas, Puerto Rico and Hawaii. They enjoyed sports including Bowling and Golf. Stephen still enjoys golf at least once a week.