

**KNAPP: Charles "Charlie" R.**, 75, of St. Johnsbury, died Tuesday, May 1, 2001, at the St. Johnsbury Health and Rehabilitation Center. He was born in St. Johnsbury July 16, 1925, the son of Harry and Dorothy (Rice) Knapp. A member of the St. Johnsbury Academy Class of 1943, Charlie served his country during World War II in the U.S. Marine Corps, in the South Pacific Islands. After his service, he was in the Marine Guard for President Franklin D. Roosevelt and President Charles DeGaulle of France at the Washington Navy Yard. On Nov. 14, 1946, he married Edith (Ford), who predeceased him Feb. 25, 1999. Charlie worked many years for Central Vermont Public Service until his retirement. A strong member of the St. Johnsbury community, he was active in many areas, including ambulance services, from the first ambulance run from Brightlook Hospital to many years working for CALEX. He was a member of the North Congregational Church, VFW Post 793, American Legion Post 58, and Passumpsic Lodge 27, where he earned a 50-year pin. Charlie was an avid supporter of the St. Johnsbury Academy athletic program, where he was always seen cheering on the teams. He loved the woods and enjoyed fishing. Survivors include two daughters, Elizabeth and husband Paul Mayette of North Haverhill, N.H., and Patricia and husband Roy Clark of Stowe; two beloved granddaughters, Brittany and Katherine Clark of Stowe; a brother-in-law, Gilman and wife Avis Ford of West Burke; and several nieces and a nephew of whom he was very fond. Memorial services will be held at the North Congregational Church UCC Friday at 4 p.m. with the Rev. Jay Sprout officiating. Burial will be at Hillside Cemetery in West Burke. Friends are invited to meet the family at Sayles Funeral Home Thursday evening from 6 to 8 p.m. Contributions in his memory may be

made to the St. Johnsbury Academy Athletic Department, in care  
of Bernier Mayo, Main Street, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819