

LAWRENCE ARTHUR DESORCIE - ZEPHYRHILLS, Fla. - Lawrence Arthur Desorcie, age 76, passed away peacefully Friday afternoon, Nov. 26, 2010 with his family at his side. Born in Highgate on Sept. 29, 1934, he was the son of the late Lawrence E. and Ruth (Magnant) Desorcie. He attended Highgate schools and graduated from St. Johnsbury Trade School in 1952. He leaves his loving wife, Charlotte (Firkey) Desorcie of Zephyrhills, Fla., following 56 years of joyful and caring marriage. Larry will always be remembered as a devoted husband, father and grandfather. He had a keen interest in history, automobiles and mechanical devices of every type. He enjoyed spending time with friends and family, television westerns and touring the U.S. Retiring in 1996, he spent a 31-year career as a tooling design engineer at IBM's Semiconductor Design and Manufacturing Center in Essex Junction. He served in the U.S. Army and U.S. Army Reserves. For many years, he was a volunteer [firefighter](#) in Colchester. Larry leaves his children, James Desorcie and wife, Maureen, of State College, Pa., Ann Marie Russell and husband, Glen, of Prince George, Va., and George Desorcie and wife, Caroline, of Westford; his brother, Robert Desorcie and wife, Patricia, of Apalachin, N.Y.; and sister-in-law, Beverly Desorcie of Tecumseh, Mich.; six treasured granddaughters, Alyssa Russell, Felicia, Jessica, Kimberly, Heather and Piper Desorcie; as well as several nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, Larry was predeceased by his brothers, John Desorcie in 1994 and Joseph Desorcie in 1931. Interment and committal will be at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Fla. Gifts in Larry's memory may be made to the East Pasco Hospice Care Center of HPH Hospice, 37439 Clinton Avenue, Dade City, FL 33525.

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