(1927-2012)

Roland Grabfelder, 84, a resident of Mayfield Heights for 62 years, formerly of Cleveland, passed away March 31, 2012, at Hillcrest Hospital.

He was born May 23, 1927, in Cleveland.

He was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran, member of Mayfield Boy's Baseball League, and member of Board of Zoning Appeals for Mayfield Heights.

Roland enjoyed playing golf and spending time with his grandchildren. He was a Cleveland Indians and Cleveland Browns fan.

His family remembers him as an easy going, gentle giant with a big heart.

Roland retired as a sales engineer.

Survivors include his sons, Dale (Loretta), Russ (Michelle); daughter-in-law, Peggy Grabfelder; grandchildren, Amy (Michael) Maloney, Megan (John) Mauceri, Jill, Justin, and Ryan; and great-grandchildren, Ella, Ryan, Caitlin. He was a dear uncle and great-uncle to many.

He was preceded in death by his spouse, Dorothy J. (nee Hendershot); parents, George A. and Edna (nee Brandonberg); brother, George A. Jr.; and sister, Betty Novack.

Prayers of Christian Burial will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 4, 2012, at DeJohn-Flynn-Mylott Funeral Home of South Euclid, 4600 Mayfield Road (just east of Green Road).

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012, at the funeral home. Burial will be in Knollwood Cemetery

Family suggests contributions may be made in Roland's memory to Hospice of the Western Reserve, 300 E. 185th St., Cleveland, OH 44119.

Online obituary, guest book and order flowers at www.DeJohnCares.com.

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