

LEO A. FLEURY – BURLINGTON 1930 - 2012



Leo A. Fleury, 81, died suddenly, early Monday morning, at his home in Burlington. He was born in Burlington, on Aug. 25, 1930, the son of Leo A. Fleury Sr. and Adeline (Dumas) Fleury. Leo graduated from Burlington High School in 1948. He began employment at the Burlington Savings Bank that fall and enlisted in the [U.S. Air Force](#) in 1952, spending two years on active duty before returning to the bank. In Dec. 1990, Leo retired from the Bank of Vermont as Vice-President and Archivist, after over forty years of service. From 1991 to 1996, he worked in customer service at the Shelburne branch of the Marble Bank. Leo married Vera A. Thomas on Oct. 18, 1958, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Burlington. Vera survives him along with their four children and their spouses, daughter, Suzanne and her husband, Douglas Dickie of Glen Allen, Va.; son, Thomas of Burlington; daughter, Katherine and her husband, William Bond of Bountiful, Utah; and son, Christopher and his wife, Michelle (Macken) of Falls Church, Va. Leo was also very

proud of his seven grandchildren, Michael (Brother Clement, OP) Dickie, Matthew Dickie, Nicholas Bond, Kalie Bond, Kristen Bond, Timothy Fleury, and Elizabeth Fleury. Leo is also survived by a great-grandson, William Teeter. Leo also leaves an aunt, several nieces and nephews, and many cousins. Leo was predeceased by a sister, (Helen) Joyce Hayes; and a brother, Donald Fleury. He was also predeceased by an infant grandson, Christopher Bond. Leo had a long-time interest in local and regional history. He was a charter member of the Chittenden County Historical Society from its founding and served as its vice-president and then treasurer for many years. In retirement, he and Vera greatly enjoyed touring Vermont as part of the 251 Club and photographing covered bridges throughout the state. They also found much pleasure in traveling around the country and also abroad. He also had an avid interest in genealogy and family history, always being willing to help others research their family trees. Leo was a founding member of the Genealogical Society of Vermont and served in leadership roles in that organization for many years. Leo was awarded an honorary life membership in the GSV in recognition for his past service. He was also a founding member of the Vermont French Canadian Genealogical Society and served as a board member and newsletter editor for that organization. He was a member and chair of the Cemetery Commission for the city and also served as state treasurer for the United Negro College Fund and for the Friends of the Fletcher Free Library for many years. In retirement, Leo became a volunteer in the AARP Tax Aide Program, Meals on Wheels, Dismas House, the Fletcher Free Library, and the Heineberg Senior Center. In 2001, Leo and Vera became Mercy Associates and participated in many activities and ministries of the Sisters of Mercy. Leo served on the board of the Institute for Spiritual Development for several years. A wake in Leo's memory will be held on Friday, Aug. 24, 2012, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Ready Funeral Home South Chapel, 261 Shelburne Rd., Burlington. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday (Leo's birthday) at 11 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 20 Pine St., in Burlington. Interment will follow in the Lakeview Cemetery in Burlington. Online condolences may be made to www.readyfuneral.com. Ready Funeral and Cremation Services are in charge of arrangements. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Fletcher Free Library (235 College Street, Burlington, VT 05401); or the Vermont French-Canadian Genealogical Society (P.O. Box 65128, Burlington, VT 05406) would be gratefully appreciated.