

O'NEILL, JAMES BURCHETT DR.



Age 76, passed away Saturday, April 14, 2012. Family and friends will gather to celebrate his life on Monday, April 30, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. at Mesilla Park Community Church in Las Cruces, NM. A tribute of Dr. Burchett may be found at:

www.memorialdesigners.net where you may leave memories and expressions of sympathy for his family.

O'Neill was born on June 11, 1935 to Roy and Louise Burchett in Seiling, OK. O'Neill Burchett is survived by his wife, Charlotte Su Burchett; children, James Burchett, Ruth Mortensen and husband, Dean; grandchildren, Dylan, Tyler, Blake Burchett, Cory and Kyle Mortensen. He is also survived by his brother, Bud Burchett. He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Olden Burchett, Betty Hedges, and Bonnie Cox.

O'Neill graduated from Oklahoma State University with a Ph.D of Mechanical Engineering in 1965. He then spent 26 years with Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, NM as well as taught mechanical engineering at several universities, including Arizona State University, University of New Mexico, and New Mexico State University.

O'Neill enjoyed teaching Sunday school, skiing, building speakers and other sound equipment, working on cars, and especially enjoyed designing and building his own home in Las Cruces, NM.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to The Arbors, 3731 North Del Rey Boulevard, Las Cruces, NM 88012.