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Richard H. Martin, 91, St. Augustine, died October 16, 2015 at his home, surrounded by his family. He was born in Gifford, IL and had resided in St. Augustine for the past year, moving here from Lakeland. He was a veteran of the US Navy, having served during WW II and fought in 10 combat battles in the South Pacific during that time. After his service to his country he began a career in law enforcement, retiring as the Assistant Chief of Police in Mt. Dora. Richard was a member of Good News Church and he was an avid Chicago Cubs fan. He also loved swimming, cross word puzzles, playing softball, and square dancing which he did until the age of 78. A celebration of his life will be held 10:00 a.m. Saturday October 31, 2015 at Good News Church with Pastor Smiley Sturgis and grandson, Pastor Billy Knieriem officiating. Flowers are gratefully declined and those wishing may make a contribution in his memory to the Good News Church building fund. He is survived by his children, Joyce E. Tubb (John), Lakeland, Christine Mikulis, Colleen K. Petry (Warren), all of St. Augustine, Melissa Martin, Broomfield, CO; brother, Phillip Martin (Phyllis), Cincinnati, Ohio; sister, Onie Martin, Vancouver, WA; son-in-law, William Knieriem; 20 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Elaine Martin and a daughter, Debbie Knieriem. St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.