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Theodore James Rauen, (“Ted”), 88, retired Commander in the United States Navy, passed away peacefully from pancreatic cancer on May 6th at Community Hospice in St. Augustine, Florida. He was born August 9, 1928 in St. Paul, Minnesota to parents Theodore and Florence Rauen. Ted graduated from the University of Minnesota in June 1950, and married Karolyn Louise Nelson on May 24, 1951. ‘ He began his employment as an electrical engineer at the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D.C. in July 1951, and enlisted as an officer candidate in December 1953. He was commissioned in June 1954 and served as an active duty Naval officer until December 1957, when he returned to NRL. Ted retired from that position in January 1985, but then worked as a contractor for Locus at NRL from July of that same year until July 1990. He served in the Navy reserves until 1982. For many years, Ted and his wife Kay ran the very successful Oxon Hill Tutoring Service, which helped countless students facing academic challenges. A skilled craftsman, he loved to putter around in his basement shop, creating and repairing all manner of electronics, woodworking and metalworking projects. Ted was a dedicated husband and father. He was preceded in death by his wife Karolyn. He is survived by his sister, Mary Anne Rauen of Alameda, California, daughters, Kendyl Gibbons (Mark) of Kansas City, Missouri, and Bonnie Gilgallon (Eric Frankson) of La Quinta, California

and his son, James Rauen (Carol) of St. Augustine Beach, Florida In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donation be made to the American Cancer Society or Wounded Warriors. Ted benefited from many kind neighbors, caregivers and health professionals, both in Maryland and Florida; his family expresses gratitude to all of them.