

George Davis Carlisle

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BANGOR - George Davis Carlisle, 98, died Nov. 10, 2011, at an Orono health care center. He was born June 25, 1913, in Bangor, the son of George T. and Maud (Davis) Carlisle. With the exception of several years after graduation from college when he worked in Ohio for the Department of Agriculture CCC Ohio River flood control project and later years spent seasonally in Sarasota, Fla., George lived his entire life in Bangor. He graduated from Bangor High School in 1931 and the University of Maine School of Forestry in 1935. Throughout his adult life he was a leader in Bangor area business, political and civic activities. He was a city council member and then mayor in the years after

World War II and school board member and chairman in the 1950s. He served on many local nonprofit boards and was a leader in the business community. George served as treasurer, president and chairman of Prentiss & Carlisle Cos. - a Bangor based timberland owner and manager. He had a lifelong interest in the banking business, dating from his days as a director of Eastern Trust and Banking Co. and continuing with Northeast Bankshares and Norstar Bank, Buffalo, N.Y. George was also a director of Bangor Hydro Electric Co. and Union Mutual Life Insurance Co. based in Portland. He was an active member and president of Bangor Rotary, which named him a Paul Harris Fellow. Throughout his professional career he was an enthusiastic fellow of the Society of American Foresters and a director of American Pulpwood Association. George was a loyal and generous alumnus of the University of Maine and was honored on several occasions for his commitment to the institution and his civic and professional achievements. In 1986 he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree, was also awarded the prestigious Black Bear Award by the Alumni Association, received the A.D. Nutting award for contributions to the field of forestry and was designated a member of the Charles Allen Society. He served many years on the University of Maine Foundation. George is survived by his two children: son, David M. Carlisle and his wife, Susan, and daughter, Mary C. Schultheis, all of Bangor; grandchildren, Jon and his wife, Leigh Carlisle, and Nick Carlisle, all of Boston, Ben and Sarah Carlisle of Bangor, Rob and Jaime Schultheis of Edmond, Okla., Elizabeth and James Bradley of Boston; and six great-grandchildren, Grace and George Carlisle, Charlie and Sawyer Schultheis, Logan Bradley and Claire Carlisle. Also surviving are a sister, Margaret Speirs of Bangor; and a special friend, Barbara Giddings. He was predeceased by his wife of 60 years, Elizabeth (Mason) Carlisle, who died in 1997; a cherished grandson, Christopher Carlisle; and six siblings, Norman, John, Robert, Mary, Ruth and Charles. Relatives and friends are welcome to call 5-7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 14, at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, St. John's Catholic Church, 207 York St., Bangor. Interment will be at Mount Hope Cemetery, Bangor. If desired, gifts in George's memory may be sent to Bangor Public Library, 145 Harlow St., Bangor, ME 04401. Condolences to the family may be expressed at www.BrookingsSmith.com.

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