

Dr. Malcolm F. Heslip

Dr. Malcolm F. Heslip, Ph.D. passed away April 25, 1995 at the age of 96.

A "Leisure Worlder of the Month" and past president of the Academians, he lived in Leisure World for 17 years.



Dr. Heslip had a long and distinguished career. As an enlisted man

in the Navy during World War I, he played the piccolo under the direction of John Philip Sousa in his Navy band. Sixty-five years later he published a monograph, "Nostalgic Happenings in the Three Bands of John Philip Sousa," on the 50th anniversary of Sousa's death.

He remained in the Naval Reserve and served again in World War II, retiring after the war as a full captain. During his service, he was graduated from the Naval War College in Newport, RI, and saw duty in the Middle East, North Africa, the Navy Department in Washington, D.C., the Naval V-12 program at University of California Berkeley, as a staff department head at sea with the 7th Fleet in the Pacific Theater.

He worked as an engraver throughout high school in Mount Vernon, IL, and at the University of Illinois where he was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, graduating

He was an ardent numismaticist, creating several coin collections, including two very fine gold sets.

In 1991, he published his memoirs, "My Life and Times Under Sixteen Presidents."

Dr. Heslip is survived by his wife of 17 years, Doris Bice Heslip, and his sister Ruth McDonald of Lake Wales, FL. He was married to Marie Railsback Heslip for 50 years, prior to her passing and is survived by their daughter Susan McCormick; four granddaughters, Marilyn McCormick Scheak, Susan Lazarian, Lisa Warner and Janet McCormick White, and five great-grandchildren, Tyler and Sean Lazarian, Will White, III, and Patrick McCormick White, and Hannah Marie Warner.