

Dale Francis Conde (6/17/1922 – 2/25/2023) was a lawyer, a golfer, a bridge player, a fisherman and hunter, a WWII vet, a husband and a father. Born in Rockford, Illinois. He graduated from Rockford Central High School in 1940. First hired as a bank teller, he then moved on to the reactivated nearby army Camp Grant as an accountant.

Heeding the advice of an older friend, Dale attended the University of Illinois from 1941 to 1943 and where he joined the Alpha Chi Rho fraternity. He married Sylvia Martin of Oak Park, Illinois in 1942. He enlisted in the armed forces in 1942 and was called to active duty in February 1943. He served until discharged in October 1945. He served overseas with the 44th Infantry Division as a combat aid man and was awarded five battle stars fighting from the D-day beaches to Austria.

Dale graduated from Northwestern University Law School in 1948. He was a law professor first at Northwestern and then at Drake University.

Dale settled with Sylvia in Rockford, Illinois. Dale was an Assistant State's Attorney for four years and then joined the firm Pedderson, Menzimer, Carl and Conde in 1952. He practiced law with this firm and its various successors until he retired at age 95.

Dale was married to Sylvia for 71 years until her death in 2013. They had four children. Dale and Sylvia were members of Rockford Country Club and the U Club. They had many friends and threw many parties. They traveled the world, most extensively to locations in Central and South America that Sylvia read about in National Geographic. They eventually bought a second home in Naples Florida, where they golfed, played bridge, walked the beaches and socialized with their Rockford friends that followed them to Florida. After Sylvia's death, Dale lived by himself in Naples and Rockford until he moved to Boise, Idaho to be near his son, daughter-in-law and grandchildren.

Dale is survived by his son Doug, Doug's wife Robin living in Boise, Idaho, five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.