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William F. "Bill" DuBois, 82, who for more than 30 years owned and operated the Contact Lens and Artificial Eye Service in Washington and then Bethesda, died March 26 at his home in Naples, Fla. He had amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

Mr. DuBois was born in Washington.

He graduated from Montgomery Blair High School in Silver Spring and Washington College in Chestertown, Md. He served in the Army during World War II and the Korean War. He helped develop an artificial plastic eye and later served as the officer in charge of the plastic eye clinic at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

After leaving the Army in the 1950s, he owned and operated the Contact Lens and Artificial Eye Service until retiring in 1991.

He was a former lieutenant governor of the Maryland Optimist Clubs, president of Manor Country Club and a member of the American Legion post in Boyds. His avocations included golf.

In 1993, he moved from Rockville to Florida.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Gwen DuBois of Naples; a daughter, Karen Rhea of Boyds; and two grandsons.