Dearborn Wingate, 90, a lifetime resident of Nashua, NH, passed away peacefully early Wednesday morning, July 26, 2017 at Aynsley Place in Nashua. He was born on June 29, 1927, the only child of Homer and Katherine (Dearborn) Wingate and stepson of Genevieve (Haskell) Wingate. Affectionately known as ‘Dib’, Dearborn was widowed in 1996, having been married to Fern (Chomard) Wingate for 46 years. He leaves behind son Greg Wingate, of Weldon, New Brunswick, Canada; son Gary Wingate and wife Brenda (Verrill) Wingate of Nashua; daughter Gail Wingate of Portsmouth, NH; daughter Gwen Morgan and husband John of Scituate, MA; grandchildren Brad, Geoff, and Tim Wingate; Katherine Wingate and fiancé Joseph Tarantino, Lauren and Natalie Wingate; Taryn Morgan Postlewaite and husband David, and Drew Morgan; sister-in-law Rolande Duquette and numerous nieces and nephews. He also leaves behind his loving companion and best friend of many years, Elinor Lesieur.

Dearborn was born and raised in Nashua, NH, graduating from Nashua Senior High in 1945. He then attended Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in order to carry on the family legacy, Wingate’s Pharmacy, established in 1900 by grandfather Frank Wingate. Dearborn assumed ownership of the pharmacy from his father, Homer, in 1951 until 1984, when his son, Gary, took over the family business.

He was very proud of his 2 years of military service, serving in the Army Air Corps in Biloxi, MS, Denver, CO, and San Antonio, TX. He was a long time member of the Nashua Rotary Club, valued his time with the Nashua Lodge of Elks, and served on the NH Pari-Mutuel Racing Commission. He was director of WSMN radio station and served as president for 5 years. He enjoyed playing tennis, golf, curling, and bocce, as well as playing cards and sports of all kinds. He was a proud Red Sox season ticket holder for over 38 years. Dearborn cherished his summer days spent at his cottage in Rye Beach, NH with Fern, Elinor, family, friends, and valued the close knit neighborhood on F St. Dearborn was a gentleman of great charisma, a gifted storyteller, and full of good humor who truly lived his life his way! He and his brilliant smile will be greatly missed.