

Anton George Pokorny



Personal Information

Born: September 3, 1910

Mother's Name: Mary

Father's Name:

Brothers & Sisters: Frank and John

High School:

Home: Childhood home located Hill Climb Park.
233 Highland Ave, Algonquin, IL

Spouse:

Children: Anthony Jr., Howard, William

Occupation: Tool and Die Maker, Engineer

Hobby:

Accomplishments:

- Senior tool and die maker of Erwood Company of Chicago and Crystal Lake. While in Chicago he was part of the Manhattan Project. He designed and built parts of the first atomic bombs used against Japan.
- Awarded citation by U.S. Navy, Bureau of Ordnance on 10 December 1945
- Awarded citation by U.S. Office of Scientific Research and Development, 1 March 1945
- Developed proximity fuze combination of transmitter, receiver, and projectile nose cones used in World War II. It had to only come close to ship or aircraft to destroy the target.
- Developed implosion trigger part of the Atomic Bomb used in first bomb over Japan.
- Algonquin Village Trustee
- Chief of Police for Algonquin
- Engineering Academic Board advisor at Elgin Community College
- Academic scholarship was given in his name for top graduate in Science and Math at St. Margaret Mary's Elementary School in Algonquin.
- Anthony Jr. and William both attended West Point while Howard became industrial engineer.