Henry “Turk” Therkildsen, age 92, of Palm Desert, CA (formerly of Casper, WY), passed away peacefully on September 14, 2021, in his Palm Desert home.

Henry was born and raised in Laramie, Wyoming. He received a B.S. in Architectural Engineering from UW in 1950. After graduation he spent four years in the U.S. Air Force where he flew in all-weather interceptor jet aircraft.

After his return to Wyoming, he received his architectural license and established his office for the general practice of Architecture in 1957 in Casper. During the next 33 years, Henry provided complete architectural services for over 220 significant building projects including educational, medical, industrial, religious, governmental, criminal justice, commercial and residential. He made significant contributions in and out of Wyoming. Henry’s designs are some of the most beautiful and practical public and private buildings in the state including the Converse County Courthouse, the Pharmacy and Geological Survey Buildings on the UW campus, the Natrona County Library, the National Black-footed Ferret Facility in Sybille Canyon, and the Cheyenne Medical Building.

Henry received various awards, including a National award of Merit for the Casper Medical Clinic building.

Henry was inducted into the CEAS Hall of Fame in 2005.

He is survived by his special companion, Virginia Bridge, sister, Margery Richardson (Laramie), daughter Kristine Hogan, sons David (Ethell), Brian and Mark (Vicky); several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.