



Daniel J. Bailey

May 11, 1929 - September 8, 2009

Daniel Joe “Bud” Bailey formerly of Topeka, died of Cancer August 22, 2009 in Sun City, Arizona at the age of 80. Born to Daniel Joseph Bailey and Gertrude Elizabeth (Howard) Bailey on May 11, 1929 in Kansas City, MO., he grew up an “Oakland Boy” and graduated from Topeka High School. Dan sailed around the world three times while in the United States Navy but always called Topeka home. Dan served in the United States Navy from 1946 until 1955. He began his career with the Kansas Highway Patrol on February 20, 1956 as a Trooper assigned to patrol in Johnson County, KS. In February 1958 he transferred to Topeka and was assigned to security detail for Governor George Docking. He married Paula Ramona Amos Howard in Topeka on June 1, 1958, they were later divorced in 1978. In July 1963 Trooper Bailey transferred to Ness City, KS as a district Trooper, and transferred to Wichita in 1966 assigned to the Aircraft Division. Bailey was transferred to Topeka in 1968 and was promoted to Sergeant in May 1969. He served Kansas Governors Robert Docking, Robert Bennett, and John Carlin assigned to security and transportation detail until February 1978. He finished his career with the KHP in Topeka as Assistant Commander of the Capitol Area Security Patrol division, and Field Supervisor of Division One. He retired from the Kansas Highway Patrol on February 18, 1982. During “retirement” Bailey worked as a Court Security Officer for the U.S. Marshal’s Service in the Federal Courthouse in Topeka from 1984 to 1993; and drove charter tour buses for Winfield Bus Lines and Arrow Stage Lines. During his second

retirement from 1993 to 2008 he spent summers in Buffalo, WY., or Flagstaff, AZ; and winters in Sun City, AZ with his loving companion Beverly Gill, and their many RV friends. Bailey was a passionate motorcyclist and was found most Saturday mornings at Topeka Harley-Davidson drinking coffee and enjoying friends. He earned the distinction as "Tour Guide" during his many years of "Spring Flings" and "Fall Balls" with his motorcycle touring fraternity. He was a private pilot. He was a teacher and mentor. Bailey was a member of the Siloam Lodge 225 of Topeka for 53 years, and a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Freemason, and a member of the Arab Shrine in Topeka. He led the Arab Shrine Morafegh 74 Motorcycle Unit, and was also a member of the Scottish Rite and Blue Lodge in Topeka. He is survived by Beverly Gill of Sun City, sons Robin Larry Bailey; Robert Amos Bailey and his wife Lisa of North Port, Florida; Daniel Brooke Bailey and his wife Kim of Laramie, Wyoming; William Paul Bailey of Phoenix, Arizona; and seven grandchildren. Dan requested only a graveside service. The service will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 2:00pm at Topeka Cemetery under the direction of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Arab Shrine Children's Travel Fund, 1305 Kansas Ave., Topeka, KS. 66612, or Hospice Family Care, 9051 W. Kelton Lane, Suite 8, Peoria, AZ. 85382.

Tribute Wall



“ *Daniel J. Bailey*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Dear Bailey Family:*

First of all, kindly accept my condolences for the loss of your loved one. My mother and your father had known each other many years ago and had been in contact in their later years. Your dad had sent a picture of himself and asked my mother to have a friend paint a portrait from the photo. Family issues and deaths occurred over time, and the portrait was never collected or sent. We would like for a family member to have the portrait and we would be happy to mail it if given an address. It is a beautiful memorial to your father.

Roberta - September 18, 2012 at 06:45 PM



“ *I was so very sorry to hear of Dan's passing. I*

knew him while working at the KHP in the early 1970's and our friendship continued after I changed jobs. I especially enjoyed motorcycle riding with him, and continued to ride with him periodically after I re-married. He was our favorite bus driver on the KPL (now Westar) trips to the horse races in Omaha, NE. He was my "teddy bear" -- such a BIG guy with a wonderful job ethic and personality. My sympathy goes out to his family - may you rejoice in your memories of your father.

Lola (Benteman) Warner - September 07, 2009 at 10:38 PM

DA

“ We are so sorry to hear about your Dad's passing. It was a pleasure to meet and spend time with him at Bob and Lisa's wedding. Our love and prayers are with you all.

Allen and Debbie Davis

Deb and Al - September 05, 2009 at 08:26 AM

BH

“ Dear friends,

I'm so sorry to hear of Bud's passing. I have so many memories of him from my childhood. The best memory is of him introducing my mother (who was a childhood friend), Gloria Hough Hall, to his KHP cohort, Gene Goldsberry, in 1965. The folks were married from July 21, 1966 until Gene's death in the line of duty at the Federal Building here on August 5, 1993.

I remember Bud as a kind and friendly man, and I will miss him.

Brenda Hall - September 03, 2009 at 08:57 PM

VE

“ I am very sorry to hear your Father passed away. I was a very goodfriend of your Grandmother Gertude. You have our sympathy.

*God Bless
Virginia & Dean Engroff*

Virginia Engroff - September 03, 2009 at 06:18 PM