



Frederick Baird

November 2, 1930 - December 15, 2017

Frederick Baird, 87, Santa Rosa, California (formerly of Topeka, Kansas), passed away December 15, 2017.

He is survived by his wife, Florence Heise Baird; daughter, Therese Delagnes (Ray); three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two sons, Ted and Ricky.

Having lost both parents at a young age, Fred was raised in the Woodycrest Children's Home in the Bronx with his brother Bill and enlisted in the Air Force at age 17, first serving in Korea then as an MP where he met Florence at the USO. He became a police officer with the Topeka Police Department in 1951, later joining the Sheriff's Office and competing as one of the top pistol shooters in the country at the time. He then moved to Santa Rosa, joining the Sonoma County Sheriff's Office in 1966 until retiring in 1981.

Aside from his service to the community, Fred was very proud of his Scottish heritage, playing bagpipes with the Sonoma County Sherriff's Pipe Band. Fred will also be remembered as one of the most vocal hockey fans at Snoopy's Ice Arena in Santa Rosa, watching his grandsons compete and cheering them on.

A funeral Mass was celebrated in Santa Rosa and burial took place at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Topeka.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Church Restoration Fund sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Tribute Wall



“ *Frederick Baird*

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