



Robert "Bob" F. Kelley

August 14, 1930 - September 27, 2018

Robert "Bob" Francis Kelley, 88, of Topeka, Kansas, entered into eternal peace on September 27, 2018.

Bob was born August 14, 1930, in Topeka to Frederick and Ethel Berger Kelley. He retired from the U.S. Department of Defense in 1980. He and his family moved from Vienna, Virginia, to Topeka, where Bob held positions with the State of Kansas, as the director of surplus property and under Governor Joan Finney, as the director of waste and inefficiency management, and director of purchasing for both the City of Topeka and Shawnee County.

Bob was active in local and state politics, served on the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee for many years, enjoyed retirement by working in the yard with Carol, listening to "oldies" music and cheering on many local sports teams. Bob was a founding member of Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church and a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #534.

Bob is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Carol Carlat Kelley; son, Kevin Kelley (Laurie), grandchildren, Brian Kelley (Danielle), Taylor White (David), Lauren Kelley, and great-grandson, Noah Kelley; daughter, Karen "Chris" Kelley and granddaughter, Kayleen Imparato (Nate); and brother, Larry Kelley. He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Betty Kelley Vossman, Jean Kelley Guarr, Peggy Kelley Fletcher and Phil Kelley.

Bob's family expresses their deepest gratitude to the entire staff at the House at Midland Care. The care of Bob and support of his family is very much appreciated.

A parish rosary will be prayed at 10:15 a.m. Saturday, October 27, 2018, at Mother Teresa of Calcutta Church, 2014 NW 46th Street, Topeka KS 66618, with a special memorial tribute to follow.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday, at the church. Inurnment will be in Prairie Home Cemetery, 35th and Menoken Road.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The House at Midland Care, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Cemetery Details

Prairie Home Cemetery

35th and Menoken Road
Topeka, KS

Previous Events

Rosary

OCT 27. 10:15 AM (CT)

Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church
2014 NW 46th Street
Topeka, KS 66618

Mass of Christian Burial

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Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert "Bob" F. Kelley



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - October 25, 2018 at 02:19 PM



“ Robert "Bob" F. Kelley

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ Love, Colleen and Keith Lilly purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Robert "Bob" F. Kelley.



Love, Colleen and Keith Lilly - October 26, 2018 at 07:24 AM



“ Love, Paulina Tracy (Rudolph) purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Robert "Bob" F. Kelley.



Love, Paulina Tracy (Rudolph) - October 25, 2018 at 11:34 AM

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“ *Dear Carol and Families - Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. Remembering all the good times we shared together. Jim and Mary Ellen Dickson*

Mary Dickson - October 25, 2018 at 09:23 AM