



## Rubin James King Jr.

April 8, 1927 - May 27, 2018

Rubin J. King, 91, Topeka, Kansas, passed away May 17, 2018, at a local care center.

Rubin was born April 8, 1927, in Anton, Texas. Ruben was raised by his grandparents after his mother passed when he was six years old. He attended high school in San Diego, California. Ruben joined the Navy in 1945 and served 13 months. When he returned from service in World War II he lived in San Diego.

In 1950, Ruben joined the Air Force where he was the flight chief mechanic. After serving 8 years, he moved to Topeka and began working at DuPont. Ruben married Elaine D. Ottensmeier on March 14, 1958. In 1966, Ruben became the proud father of his son, Kevin. In 1983, Ruben's job at DuPont took him to Texas where he remained until he retired in 1989. Upon retirement, he and his family returned to Topeka.

Rubin enjoyed tending his lawn and growing a garden, especially his prized tomatoes. Ruben was an avid woodworker spending hours creating all sorts of teddy bears, ducks and other animals. Intarsia was his specialty woodworking platform and he previously was a member of the Kaw Valley Woodcarvers of Topeka. Ruben enjoyed photography, especially cloud formations and the vibrant colors of the trees in the fall. In recent years, Ruben learned to play

cribbage and enjoyed games with friends. Although Rubin enjoyed many hobbies, his family was always his top priority.

Rubin was preceded in death by his wife Elaine on November 26, 2008. He is survived by his son, Kevin King of Topeka, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery Chapel; entombment will follow.

Memorial contributions are suggested to St. John's Lutheran Church, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road Topeka KS 66614.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Hope Cemetery

4700 SW 17th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAY **31**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Rubin James King Jr.* ”

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