



William Goebel Cave

December 20, 1933 - March 18, 2013

William Cave passed away on March 18, 2013. As was his wish, he died at home after a long, hard-fought battle with lung cancer. His final months were comforted by the compassion and care of Kaiser Hospice Vallejo. Bill was born in Campbellsville, Kentucky on December 20, 1933. Shortly after WWII he moved with his parents to San Francisco, where the simple country boy learned to live in the streets of a big city. Now nicknamed "Kentuck," he grew to love the City where he was active in the Boy's Club. In 1953 he enlisted in the Army and served in the Korean War. Bill returned to San Francisco where he met his wife for life, Donna Gunthorp. He began working for Attorney's Messengers Service of California. In 1959 he purchased the San Jose office where the family lived for 25 years. In 1984, they moved to Napa, remodeling their weekender on the River into their permanent residence. Bill then worked on his beloved streets of San Francisco as a Patrol Special with the SFPD. Later, he provided security for numerous special events at Fort Mason. He loved the outdoors and was famous for his adventurous camping trips. Bill was an avid golfer and longtime member of Napa Valley Country Club where he was active in the junior golf program. Known to his family as "Papa," he will be remembered as a loving husband to Donna Cave; playful father to Trent (Loralin) Cave and Tracie Robinett; adored grandfather of Zac Cave, Courtney (Jonathan) Wagoner, Caitlin (Josh) Jachimowicz, and Sam Cave; and doting great-grandfather of three. Papa's absence will leave a terrible void in his devoted family. A small, private service will be held at the Sacramento Valley

National Cemetery on Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at 1:30.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr. Cave you were such a huge part of my teenage years. You were the bright light in my sometimes strange life with my mother "Wanda". Thank you for always being there to lean on. Donna Langford Curto.*

Donna Curto - April 05 at 12:00 AM