



George R. Peterson Sr.

December 1, 1934 - November 29, 2019

George Ralph Peterson Sr. went to be with the Lord on November 29, 2019 at the age of 84. He was born December 1, 1934 in Chicago, Illinois to Gunnard E. Peterson and Violet Smalley Peterson. George grew up in Chicago where he worked at Continental Bank and met his future wife Mary Sue Chapman. They were united in marriage in October, 1960 in Chicago. He later went into the army at Fort Lee, Virginia where he served as an MP. He then moved to Lake Villa, Illinois where he was an active member of St. Paul Lutheran Church. After the army, he got his teaching degree and was a behavior disorder educator for 30 years. George also loved to hunt and fish. As his family grew, they moved to Twin Lakes, Wisconsin where he built a home and fulfilled his dream of a small farm. He was an active member of Peace Lutheran Church. After retirement he moved to Wausaukee, Wisconsin in 1997, and when the weather got to be too much, he moved permanently to Willcox, Arizona, in 2011, where he was a member of Grace Lutheran Church of Safford and attended Faith Bible Church.

He is survived by Mary, his wife of 59 years; one son George "Pete" R. Peterson Jr. of Willcox; one daughter Elizabeth Garza (Chris) of Willcox; six grandchildren: Samantha Hills of Trevor WI, George R. Peterson III (fiancée Shaylee Ackerson) of Willcox, Erik Peterson (Griselda) of Cochise, Lara Peterson of Fond du Lac, WI, Kirk Peterson of Fort Carson, CO, and Ian Peterson (fiancée Sara Thompson) of Queen Creek, AZ; Seven great-grandchildren Yvaine, Wyvern, Elijah, Revan, Renley, Howl and Liliana.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and one sister Marlene Brzezinski of Lansing, IL.

Contributions may be made in George's name to the American Cancer Society or Alzheimer's Association. Memorial Services will be 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 28, 2019 at Westlawn Chapel. You may express condolences at www.westlawnchapelmortuary.com Services entrusted to Westlawn Chapel, Mortuary and Crematory of Willcox, Arizona.

Previous Events

Memorial service

DEC 28. 3:00 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *George R. Peterson Sr.*

January 30, 2023 at 12:50 AM



“ *Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of George R. Peterson Sr..*



December 26, 2019 at 04:14 PM