



Harold A. Jackson Jr.

December 7, 1924 - August 29, 2017

On Tuesday, August 29, 2017 just as the sun was rising, Harold Arthur Jackson Jr., known to all as Bud, took his last breath. He was 92 years old, born on December 7, 1924. Bud loved his family fiercely and generously throughout his life: his wife of 65 years Barbara Ann Jackson; his daughters Sharon Witkin, Deborah Korinchock and Joanne Pike; his sons-in-law Andrew Witkin (deceased) Thomas Korinchock and Thomas Pike; his grandchildren Emily and Anna Witkin, Casey McNamara and Marc Korinchock and Christopher and Stephen Pike; and his sisters Pauline Smith (deceased), Shirley Good and Sylvie Jackson (deceased). He was always ready with advice, comfort and financial support when needed. Bud worked for AT&T his entire 40-year career, starting at an entry level job as a craftsman in the central office in Reading, PA and ending as a District Manager for government communication sales. He worked with critical government agencies including NASA, FEMA and the FAA. His career took him to New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New York City before settling in Washington, DC. His work ethic, intelligence and business smarts allowed him to grow in his career. Bud was a World War II Army Signal Corp veteran and served in the Philippines. Bud had many interests and talents that he enjoyed throughout his life. Trains were a passion of his from his boyhood on. He built model trains and layouts and created an extensive garden railroad setup while retired in Sun City West, AZ that his grandchildren enjoyed along with him. He was “Mr. Fix-it” for anything and everything – including cars which he loved and babied. He was

famous for puttering around the house to keep it and his vehicles in tip-top shape. He played tennis into his 80's, giving it up only when he could no longer physically move around the court. He hiked into the Grand Canyon five times and went on many other hiking adventures. He loved to play – and win – at cards, especially pinochle. He was a computer aficionado and became very adept at their use even as an octogenarian. He learned to manage investments well and wisely. He could talk politics with the best of them. Bud lived with Parkinson's for 20 years, and maintained a wonderful and positive attitude during the entirety of his illness.

Most of all, Bud/Dad/Pop-pop was an example to us all of how to live with courage and kindness. He had a full and rich life, and gave and got too many blessings to count. He left a hole no one can fill. We will miss him every day but are grateful that his struggle is over and he is at peace.

The celebration of life/memorial service is on September 16, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. at Mission Park Funeral Home, 3401 Cherry Ridge St., San Antonio, TX 78230. Please dress in celebration not mourning colors. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you donate to the Michael J. Fox Foundation that fights Parkinson's disease. The website to donate in Bud's name is <https://www.michaeljfox.org/tribute/tribute-page.php?id=20416>.

Previous Events

Celebration of His Life

SEP **16**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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